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## Gov't to resume some talks with PA

DAVID MAKOVSKY

PRIME Minister Binyamin Netanyahu has decided to resume all talks with the Palestinian Authority except for those dealing with the Hebron withdrawal, officials in the Prime Minister's Office said last night.

The decision means that Netanyahu is not waiting for the impasse with Foreign Minister David Levy to be resolved before proceeding on the diplomatic front.

The talks, which have been basically suspended since the elections, will not include territorial issues, including the question of the army redeployment in Hebron. Netanyahu has linked the start of

those talks to resolving issues of alleged PA activity in Jerusalem.

Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai is to present his plan for a Hebron pullback to the premier later this week.

According to the Oslo II agreement, Israel is scheduled to make three more unspecified pullbacks over an 18-month period. The first withdrawal is scheduled to take place next month, but no details are known.

"The prime minister made the decision to restart all the talks, with the exception of those talks dealing with withdrawal," an official said. The decision came after Netanyahu held consultations Sunday night with a variety of officials, including Mordechai.

When asked if Levy, who is currently on a four-day private visit in the US, had been informed in advance of the decision, the official suggested he was not. But, he said, the Foreign Ministry was informed afterwards.

For an entire week, decisions related to the Palestinian track were frozen, due to the dispute that had erupted with Levy over control of the peace process.

Finance Minister Dan Meridor will hold economic talks with his PA counterpart, Mohammed Zuhdi Nashishibi. Officials in the Prime Minister's Office said a decision has not been made as to whether Mordechai will meet soon with PA leader Yasser Arafat.

Maj.-Gen. Oren Shahor will discuss civilian matters with PA negotiator Jamil Tarifi tomorrow. Shahor will be joined by representatives of the IDF, Finance Ministry, and the Foreign Ministry.

IDF and PA security officials, who convene quietly on a regular basis, are expected to meet this Thursday, when Israel is to raise the issue of the construction of a PA airstrip in Gaza's Dehania area.

An official said last night that before the airstrip is constructed, Israel and the PA must first hammer out a security accord, like the agreements at the Allenby Bridge and Rafah crossings, to ensure that

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### Mordechai eases building permit procedures in settlements

DEFENSE Minister Yitzhak Mordechai has eased procedures for obtaining building permits in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip. He has also granted permission for hundreds of trailers to be set up at schools and public institutions in the settlements in time for the new school year.

In a meeting yesterday, Mordechai approved permits for 115 trailers to be erected at schools and another 100 trailers to be set up at Shomron College in Ariel. He also gave approval for another 83 to be set up at public institutions on settlements.

Not all the details of the new permit procedures were made public. The moves are in accordance with the government's decision to renew building in the existing settlements. Under that decision, Mordechai is responsible for approving building permits and setting up trailers.

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Charlie Sa'adon (right) grieves at his brother Ilan's funeral yesterday.

## Ciller: Ties with Israel strong despite gas deal with Iran

### Turkey sends two ministers to Iraq

TURKISH Foreign Minister Tancu Ciller met in Ankara with Israeli Ambassador Zvi Elpeleg on Sunday night and assured him that Israel-Turkey ties remain strong despite Turkish Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan's visit to Teheran, diplomatic sources said.

Ciller promised that as long as she is in the coalition, ties between the two countries would not be adversely affected.

Erbakan left Teheran yesterday after Turkey and Iran signed a \$23 billion gas-supply agreement, Teheran Radio reported.

The gas deal involves long-term supplies of Iranian gas to Turkey which will be worth \$23 billion over more than two decades. The move comes just a week after a

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new US law penalizing investment in Iran's energy sector, but Turkey says the deal is not a violation of the US law since it is purchasing the gas and not investing the money in Iran.

It remains unclear how Turkey will finance the construction of a reported \$1.2 billion pipeline for the gas deal, especially since its credit rating has just dropped and Western banks might be reluctant to lend the money.

In another development, two Turkish ministers arrived in Iraq yesterday for talks on improving relations soured during the 1990-1991 Gulf crisis.

Justice Minister Sevkettin Kazan and Education Minister Mehmet Saglam, the first Turkish ministers to visit Baghdad in six years, will hold discussions with Iraqi officials over three days.

"We are here to solve difficulties [between the two countries] in order to bring back ties to pre-embargo levels," Saglam told reporters in Baghdad.

Iraq opposes the presence of US-led allied planes on Turkish territory to protect rebel Kurds from possible attacks by Iraqi armed forces.

The two neighbors also have differences on water supply from the Tigris and Euphrates rivers.

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## Thousands attend Ilan Sa'adon's funeral

PRIME Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai were among the thousands who paid their last respects yesterday to IDF soldier Ilan Sa'adon, as his remains were buried at the Ashkelon cemetery.

Sa'adon, who had been missing for seven years, was kidnapped and murdered by Hamas terrorists on May 3, 1989. His remains were found two weeks ago with the help of information obtained by Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat.

When the flag-draped coffin was lowered into the grave, the family, including Sa'adon's nine siblings, cried out in anguish.

"I waited for you, Ilan, I waited for you," said his mother. "I didn't want it to end this way, Ilan. Why, God, why?"

One brother, Shimon, told reporters before

the funeral that while the family was in great sorrow, "at least we now have a grave to cry over."

Many of those at the funeral called on IDF Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Armon Lipkin-Shahak not to release Hamas spiritual leader Sheikh Ahmed Yassin in exchange for his help in obtaining information that led to the discovery of Sa'adon.

In his eulogy, Netanyahu pointed to the special pain of parents who must endure years of uncertainty over the fate of their son.

"Every day, the Sa'adons lived under a cloud of doubt, not knowing whether they were destined to become another grieving family or whether the day would come when Ilan would turn up in Ashkelon," he said.

Netanyahu promised that the government would not relent in its efforts to return all miss-

ing soldiers to Israel.

"Ilan fell in service to the country," the premier continued. "He and thousands of his friends gave their lives, and in their names we will dedicate our lives to the security of the nation. In their memory, we will toil until we achieve a genuine peace, and in their merit we will finally put an end to the grieving."

Ya'acov Sasportas, whose son Avi was kidnapped and murdered by the same gang that killed Sa'adon, explained why he attended the funeral.

"For years I accompanied the family. I felt their pain," he said. "This is very difficult for them. But they will calm down after the funeral."

After the funeral, Sa'adon's mother and siblings stayed on for more than two hours, refusing to leave the flower-bedecked grave. (Itim)

## Kemp assures American Jews of support for Israel

SAN DIEGO (AP) — One of vice presidential hopeful Jack Kemp's first stops in San Diego, upon arriving Sunday for the Republican National Convention which began last night, was a dinner reception sponsored by several national and local Jewish organizations, including the National Jewish Coalition.

There, Kemp, who was accompanied by his wife, Joanne, reassured about 100 people crammed into a trendy downtown restaurant that he and Dole support Israel.

He also said he had received a congratulatory telephone call from Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu.

"I've been a longtime friend of the cause," Kemp said. "It's not a Republican cause. It's an American cause."

A former NFL quarterback, congressman, cabinet secretary and one-time candidate for president, Kemp said he quickly accepted the supporting role on the Republican ticket. He called Dole's offer "the greatest honor of my life."

"I said 'yes' faster than the Democrats can raise taxes,"

Kemp told an appreciative crowd.

Next up, dinner at a bayside seafood restaurant with friends.

Kemp also dropped by a private reception sponsored by Southern Pacific Railroad before heading to a glitzy affair put on by GOPAC — the political action committee that works to elect Republicans — on behalf of Best Friends, a program that encourages teen-age girls to abstain from sex and drugs.

The program was founded by Elaine Bennett and Alma Powell, the wives of Republicans Bill Bennett and Colin Powell.

Joanne Kemp is a member of the program's national advisory board.

"What a great thrill it is for us to have such a wonderful couple to be chosen to be part of the Dole team," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who attended with his wife, Marianne. The Bennetts and former Republican Senate candidate Oliver North also were there.

Making the rounds of evening events, the Secret Service protection and lengthy motorcade was a sign of Kemp's new status.

And his code-name — "Champion" — underscored his sudden return to Republican prominence.

## Haredim riot over detention of teen

HUNDREDS of haredim rioted last night at Shabbat Square in Jerusalem, to protest against the continued detention of a 14-year-old haredi who was arrested during demonstrations on Rehov Bar-Ilan three weeks ago.

The rioters threw stones at passing cars and burned garbage bins, which they then used to block the road.

The report said four people were detained by police during the protest.

Mayor Ehud Olmert and Jerusalem Police Chief Aryeh Amit decided not to replace the garbage bins in the neighborhood until leaders of the community promise in writing that the residents will stop burning them in protest, Israeli Radio reports said.

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# Suissa pledges NIS 15m. to settlements for 'Oslo-related' expenses

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INTERIOR Minister Eli Suissa promised yesterday to immediately give the settlements NIS 15 million which had been promised to them by the previous government, but never transferred.

The money is meant to compensate the settlements for their increased expenses as a result of the Oslo Accords.

"The Oslo Accords naturally imposed a heavy burden on these localities, in terms of longer journeys (to bypass towns from which the IDF has withdrawn) and additional security demands," Suissa explained, after meeting in Psagot with the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea and Samaria.

Suissa also said he would do whatever he could to speed up planning and construction over the Green Line - a promise which was welcomed by the council, since most council heads consider the building freeze to be their number-one problem.

"The minister's promise [of financial aid] is like aspirin - it will enable those localities in difficulties to breathe a little until more substantial aid arrives," Yossi Kaph, head of the Kedumim Local Council, told Itim.

Suissa himself acknowledged this, stressing that the NIS 15m. transfer "should not be the end of the matter."

"We need to begin looking seriously at the real problems and finding more genuine solutions for them," he said.

Deputy council chairman Benny Kashriel noted that Suissa's support on the building issue would be valuable in two ways. First, as a former head of the Interior Ministry's Jerusalem district, he has professional knowledge of the process of getting building plans approved, and could help smooth the path for new building plans in the territories. Secondly, Suissa could be an important voice for the settlers in the cabinet.

"He's an excellent minister," Kashriel enthused. "We're very happy, very content. This will guarantee us a channel into the government."

The council did not get everything it wanted, since it believes full compensation for the extra expenses imposed by the Oslo Accords would come to NIS 40m. However, Kashriel said the council was aware that this money may not be available in the 1996 bud-

get, and was happy that at least the discrimination against the settlements will be ended. He explained that according to the former government's decision, NIS 15m. apiece was to go to three categories of local councils: communities in the territories, development towns and other communities inside the Green Line. The latter two categories received their money, but the settlements did not, he charged.

Kashriel said the council heads also met recently with Deputy Housing Minister Meir Porush on ways to speed up building in the territories. It was agreed that the council would set up a meeting with Porush's assistant and the ministry director-general, at which the council would present lists of all the empty apartments waiting to be sold, and all extant building plans. Kashriel said the council hopes to see progress on this front by next month.

Peace Now, meanwhile, condemned Suissa's decision to transfer the NIS 15m., charging that settlers have already received millions of shekels as a result of the Oslo Accords, in the form of bypass roads and army escorts for school buses.



Jordan's King Hussein (left) and Saudi Arabia's King Fahd in discussion in Jeddah yesterday.

# King Hussein mends ties with Saudis

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - Jordan's King Hussein left for the holy Moslem city of Medina yesterday, wrapping up a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia during which he met with King Fahd and healed a rift with the oil-rich kingdom.

Fahd and his half-brother Prince Abdullah, the heir to the throne, embraced Hussein when they greeted him at the airport in Jeddah Sunday. The two Arab monarchs met for talks later Sunday in Jeddah's Salam Palace to discuss ways of reviving the stalled Middle East peace process, official Saudi sources reported.

They said Hussein and Fahd have agreed to urge the United States to put pressure on Israel to abide by agreements it has signed with the Arabs.

Hussein's visit to Saudi Arabia came amid a flurry of diplomatic shuffling in the region by

Arab leaders hoping to break the deadlock in the peace talks following the May election of Binayamin Netanyahu.

The Jordanian monarch also briefed Fahd on his talks last week with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

He met Arafat last Wednesday, two days after Netanyahu visited Jordan and promised to pursue peace.

Hussein and Fahd also agreed to bolster cooperation to fight terrorism, said the Saudi sources. The issue of security has become paramount for Saudi Arabia, where 24 Americans have been killed in two bomb attacks against US military targets since November last year.

Jordan recently provided Saudi authorities with information related to Moslem fundamentalist groups suspected of carrying out the bombings and about pro-Iranian guerrillas,

other Saudi sources have said. Saudi Arabia and other Gulf Arab nations turned against Jordan during the 1990-91 Gulf crisis over Kuwait when Hussein refused to join a US-led coalition against Iraq.

But over the past year, Jordan has distanced itself from the Baghdad government and its rapprochement with Gulf Arab states began to accelerate.

The Gulf states cut off hundreds of millions of dollars in aid for resource-poor Jordan and threw out some 300,000 Jordanians during the Gulf crisis to punish Amman for its perceived pro-Iraqi stance.

Hussein's meeting with Fahd Sunday was the first in six years. Twice this year, Hussein visited Saudi Arabia but did not meet the Saudi monarch, who was recovering from a stroke he suffered last November.

# Netanyahu: Syrian goodwill on Lebanon would win Israeli trust

News agencies

SYRIA'S position would be enhanced in Israel if it helped the IDF leave Lebanon, Prime Minister Binayamin Netanyahu told Palestinian reporters yesterday, during a meeting at the Prime Minister's Office.

Netanyahu said Israel would be willing to pull troops out of the security zone in south Lebanon within weeks if Syria allowed an agreement that would secure quiet along the northern border.

"We say we want to leave Lebanon and Syria is backing Hizbullah," said Netanyahu. "What would happen in the perception of the Israeli public, vis-a-vis Syria, if Syria facilitated such a peaceful resolution of the situa-

tion? Syria's position would be enhanced in Israel.

"This is in the interest of all sides. Anybody who wants peace should want to defuse the Lebanese quagmire," Netanyahu said.

Last week, Netanyahu suggested resolving the Lebanon issue first would be a better way to build confidence between Israel and Syria. He said Israel's conditions for leaving Lebanon were disarming Hizbullah, Lebanese army deployment along the border with Israel and protecting the South Lebanese Army.

But Syria, which has 40,000

troops in Lebanon and has effective veto power over any Lebanon deal, apparently views Israel's 14-year involvement in Lebanon as useful leverage toward regaining the Golan Heights.

"We could arrive at an agreement and withdraw from Lebanon in weeks if there was a desire by the Lebanese government and Syria," Netanyahu stressed. "We can resolve this with goodwill in a very short time."

Netanyahu, who met with Palestinian reporters for the first time since taking office, said he wanted to "open as many channels as we can to the Arab world" to break down stereotypes on both sides.

# Lebanon's Hariri calls on Christians to vote in poll

BEIRUT (Reuters) - Lebanon's billionaire Prime Minister Rafik Hariri yesterday declared his candidacy in parliamentary polls set to begin next week and urged minority Christians not to repeat a 1992 boycott.

"Today I announce that I have decided to declare my candidacy in the parliamentary elections in the city of Beirut," the Sunni Moslem Hariri, in power since October 1992, told a news conference at his Beirut home.

Hariri urged all Lebanese to vote in the five-round polls set to begin on August 18, saying a boycott would lead to the election of MPs who did not truly represent the people.

Asked what he would tell the Christian opposition, which is deeply divided over whether to vote, Hariri said:

"I tell them that boycotting is wrong. This is boycott of the homeland not of polls...This is wrong and will lead to the election of deputies who do not represent the people and who do not work for the benefit of the homeland and have power."

Most of Lebanon's once-influential Christians, who say they emerged defeated from the 1975-90 civil war, boycotted polls along with many Moslems in 1992 in protest at the election law and the presence of 35,000 Syrian troops in Lebanon.

Now, leaders of the Christian opposition who live in exile have called for a new boycott, in protest at an election law they said was designed to prevent them from

electing representatives who would oppose Syria's influence on Lebanon. Other Christian opposition leaders who live in Lebanon, like former MP Albert Moukhaiber, an outspoken critic of the Syrian-backed government, declared their candidacy in the polls.

The law was declared invalid last week by Lebanon's constitutional court and Hariri's Syrian-backed government swiftly amended it and sent it to parliament for approval.

Parliament will discuss the amended law today and rule on it. Government officials have said that the polls would be held on time but parliament has the final say on the issue.

The draft kept electoral divisions noted in the old law but said they would be for one final time. Mainly Christian Mount Lebanon was divided into six smaller voting areas, while the rest of Lebanon will vote on the basis of four larger regions.

This makes election more difficult for opposition Christians.

Three Paris-based Lebanese Christian opposition leaders, in remarks carried by Beirut newspapers yesterday, criticized the draft election law and renewed calls for a boycott. One, Christian leader General Michel Aoun, told *ad-Diyar* daily in a telephone interview nothing had changed in the election law to prompt the opposition to change its stand.

Aoun was ousted in 1990 after an abortive war on Syrian troops in Lebanon a year earlier.

# Knesset to meet in special session today

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THE Knesset will meet in special session today, in response to a Likud initiative that gathered the required 30 MKs' signatures to hold such a meeting.

The first part of the session will be devoted primarily to discussing bills on a range of issues, including finance, traffic, encouraging investment, and adoption.

The plenum is expected to approve, on second and third readings, the bill proposed by Transportation Minister Yitzhak Levy to raise traffic fines substantially, allow for the immediate sus-

pension of a driver's license for up to 90 days in a road accident involving a death, and allow doctors to check the blood-alcohol level of dead accident victims, so as to help police determine the cause of an accident.

In the second part of the session, the MKs, at the request of the Likud, will discuss the revelations that the Labor Party had discussed the possible division of Jerusalem with Mahmoud Abbas. The plenum will also discuss settlement policy and the political process and canceling the construction freeze.

# Civil administration demolishes homes in Ramallah area

The civil administration in Judea and Samaria yesterday demolished five Palestinian homes that were built without a license in the Ramallah-area. The area is designated Area C under the Oslo Accords, in which Israel has control over building. A Border Policeman was lightly injured when youths threw stones during one of the demolitions.

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# Israeli Arabs demand right to visit Gaza relatives

DAVID RUDGE

ISRAELI Arab leaders are urging the government to lift restrictions which have prevented them from delivering aid to relatives in Gaza.

This follows reports that the army had failed to implement an agreement to allow Israeli Arabs to visit Gaza on humanitarian grounds.

The restrictions on visits to Gaza by Israeli Arabs were imposed by OC Southern Command Maj.-Gen. Shlomo Yanai after the suicide bombings earlier this year.

Nevertheless, according to the reports, it was agreed that Israeli

Arabs would be allowed visitor's permits for humanitarian reasons.

A special office was opened at the Erez checkpoint but six women soldiers who were supposed to deal with permit requests have still not been transferred there, according to the reports.

"For about five months we have not been allowed to visit relatives or even take them humanitarian aid," said Hussein Suleiman, spokesman for the Forum of Israeli Arab Council Heads.

"There was an agreement that humanitarian visits would be allowed, but the army has not been carrying this out."

"We have written to the military authorities and the head of Southern Command to try and get at least this matter resolved, but so far to no avail," said Suleiman, who is also head of the Mash'had Local Council in the Galilee.

"This is a matter which concerns us deeply and we are now calling on the government to deal with it so that at least humanitarian visits can be made," he added.

# PA

(Continued from Page 1) weapons or unauthorized personnel do not enter.

Arafat's adviser Nabil Abu Rudeineh said the decision by Netanyahu to hold talks is important, but there is still a ways to go.

"They are important meetings, but this should not be enough, as the political issues are still frozen. President Arafat and Prime Minister Netanyahu should meet to discuss political issues. We would like a political liaison committee, and the president was promised by Foreign Minister Levy last month that this will happen within days. This is the practical starting point for doing business. The sooner the better."

itions that the trip will be rescheduled within the next couple of weeks, when he is likely to sign a deal on refurbishing Turkish F-4 aircraft.

One official in Jerusalem said cautiously, "we will know very shortly if our relations continue or they are frozen."

Diplomatic sources say the Turks delayed the Ivry trip fearing it would hamper Erbakan's trip to Teheran. However, they said, it does not indicate a freeze in ties. The Turkish military, which has a major role in running the country, favors a close relationship with Israel.

Some believe the ties will continue, but the political tone will drop so as not to antagonize certain Arab countries. Egypt has been sensitive to Turkish-Israeli ties, although Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said after visiting Ankara recently that he had no problems with the Israeli-Turkish military agreement concluded early this year.

Under the deal, Israel is permitted to fly in Turkish air space six weeks a year, and recently Turkish planes flew in the Negev.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

## Police commander cleared of brutality charges

The police disciplinary court yesterday acquitted Ch.-Supt. Efi Havivian, commander of Jerusalem's special patrol unit, of charges that he hit people during a demonstration last August.

Havivian was accused of hitting a father and son during an impromptu demonstration that followed the bus explosion in Ramot Eshkol.

The judges said they had found discrepancies between the testimony given by the father and son and the medical reports, which did not mention any bruises or scratches. The two also failed to identify Havivian in court.

Havivian still faces another brutality complaint. Itim

## Truck rolls back on car, injures driver

A man was seriously injured yesterday when a truck loaded with asphalt rolled backward into his car and another vehicle near Moshav Beit Ezra, on the Ashkelon-Ashdod road. The man's car was parked where a new road is being paved. Itim

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a very satisfactory conclusion," he told reporters at the airport.

Iranian spiritual leader Ali Khamenei reportedly called on Erbakan to cancel ties with Israel.

Before assuming a coalition arrangement with the secularist Ciller, Erbakan declared his support for an "Islamic NATO" and called Israel a "timeless enemy." Erbakan has not responded to a letter from Prime Minister Binayamin Netanyahu, who congratulated the Turk on his new post and offered to meet him.

The Turks recently postponed a visit of Defense Ministry Director-General David Ivry to Ankara, where he was slated to sign an agreement on cooperation between the defense industries of both countries. There are indica-

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# Jerusalem unable to find guards for its schools

LESS than a month before the start of the school year, the Jerusalem Municipality finds itself unable to find a security company to provide guards for the city's schools, because of government budget cuts.

Yesterday, Mayor Ehud Olmert warned that Jerusalem schools would not open, unless the government provided additional funding for the guards. Olmert made the statement in a meeting with Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani to discuss school security.

"I am pessimistic about the opening of schools, in light of the ministry's inability to provide

**BILL HUTMAN**

funding for guards," Olmert said, according to sources at the meeting. Kahalani said he would raise the issue with the Finance Ministry, but could make no promises.

Unlike the rest of the country, the Jerusalem Municipality annually publishes a tender for a security company to provide school security, with funding coming from the ministry. But because of budget cuts, the city was given less money this year, and not a single security company made an offer on the tender because the

wages being offered were too low, according to city officials.

The cut-backs also meant that the guards would be on duty fewer hours, in some cases leaving their posts even before the school day is finished, the officials said.

Olmert has for some time been pressing the police and ministry on the issue, saying the cut-backs were unacceptable. Ministry officials, unlike the mayor, were optimistic that a solution would be found. They emphasized, however, that the decision was not theirs, and that the ministry only acted as a funnel for the funding.



Singers from the Zemel Choir of London belt out a number with former Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek last night at the Jerusalem Theater. The choir is here to participate with 500 singers in a salute to Jerusalem, as part of the Jerusalem 3000 celebrations, on Thursday night at Sultan's Pool. (Vera Eizion)

## Histadrut Teachers Union calls work dispute

THE Histadrut Teachers Union declared a work dispute yesterday over the issue of school guards, saying that the school year would not open in any school at which there is no guard stationed.

"It is absurd that public institutions and government offices that house adults should be guarded, while institutions housing hundreds of youngsters should be abandoned," said Avraham Ben-Shabbat, union secretary-general.

Last year, after a protracted battle between the various authorities, the local authorities agreed to fund the hiring of guards for every school. This year, however, the local authorities are refusing to do so, saying their agreement to do so last year was meant as a stop-gap measure until the government could arrange for funding.

Meanwhile, the Knesset Interior Committee said yesterday that the police should no longer be involved in protecting schools; instead, local authorities should be given government funding to hire a guard for every school.

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This would require a significant increase in the amount of funds allocated to school guards.

Currently, the police have some 110 patrol cars and 300 policemen assigned to guarding schools. Committee chairman Sallah Tarif (Labor) termed this a "joke."

Shai Lahman, head of the National Parents Association, supported the Knesset committee's position, and threatened that parents would refuse to send their children to school if the issue were not resolved by September 1.

"If the matter is not resolved in the near future, the opening of the school year is in danger," he said.

However, Brig-Gen. Yigal Pressler, the prime minister's adviser on terror, stressed that the government has limited resources, and that therefore they should be spent where they are most effective. While an attack on a school is certainly not impossible, he said, intelligence information indicates that public transportation is still a far

more likely target.

"We therefore recommend that the recipe for guarding schools remains the same as it was last year," he said.

MK Rafi Ehl, however, called on Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani to have the police assume full responsibility for guarding schools. In this way, Ehl said, the police would be able to hire hundreds of additional officers and buy more vehicles, which would boost police presence in the cities.

On a related issue, Union of Local Authorities chairman Adi Eldar announced yesterday that there would be no health services provided in schools unless the government provided funding for such services, which are supposed to be covered under the National Health Insurance Law.

Eldar sent a letter to all the local authority heads, ordering them to refrain from making any arrangements or hiring any nurses to supply school health services until the government responds to the authorities' demands for funding.

## Police ask to prosecute employer of driver who caused road deaths

FOR the first time, police are asking the State Attorney's Office to prosecute the employer of a truck driver for criminal negligence, after the driver was involved in an accident resulting in death.

The accident occurred on June 6, when a giant earth-moving truck driven by Fadel Mohammed, 23, of Ramallah, entered the Ramot Road near the entrance to Jerusalem from the construction site of the Lifta Tunnel. The truck overturned, crushing the car carrying Michal Koren of Ma'ale Adumim and and Mahnouch Faroughi of

**HAIM SHAPIRO**

Belgium.

According to the police, the driver not only had no valid Israeli driver's license, he had no permit to be in Israel at all. The police said that Mohammed had been smuggled in from the West Bank every day by his employer, Shimon Barashi.

Last month, Faroughi's husband, Victor Kleinberg, came to Israel from Belgium in an effort to see that justice was done. According to information that Kleinberg

succeeded in gathering, Mohammed had a Palestinian document enabling him to drive a 15-ton truck. In fact, Kleinberg said, Mohammed had been driving a 40-ton truck, loaded with 70 tons of earth.

According to Road Safety Administration director Shalom Ben-Moshe, the prosecution of the employer is a far-reaching step that should serve as a warning to all owners of trucking and transport firms that flout the law. From now on, Ben-Moshe said, the responsibility for accidents would not only rest on the driver.

## Kahalani agrees to meet ex-underground member to discuss Temple Mount demands

INTERNAL Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani has agreed to meet former Jewish underground member Yehuda Etzion, despite Etzion's repeated violations of the police ban on Jewish prayer at the Temple Mount.

Yesterday, eight members of the Hai Vekayam group, which Etzion heads, were detained by police when they tried to enter the Temple Mount and pray. Etzion himself was not involved, as he is forbidden by court order to enter the Old City because of

**BILL HUTMAN**

previous clashes with police at the entrances to the Temple Mount.

Etzion, who in the early 1980s planned to blow up the mosques on the Temple Mount, said an adviser to Kahalani told him he would be able to meet with the minister.

"I expect the meeting will be held in the coming days," Etzion said. "Our demands are minimal. We are only going to ask that the

police allow a single Jew to pray on the Temple Mount. We want more than this, but will be satisfied with this for now."

Kahalani has in the past spoken out against changing the status quo on the Temple Mount, under which only Moslem worship is permitted.

The ministry spokesman confirmed that Kahalani would meet Etzion. "In recent days Yehuda Etzion requested a meeting with

the minister. Kahalani is in the habit of meeting with many citizens, and so it will be in this case," the spokesman said, in a statement.

Etzion has been one of the leading activists fighting the ban on Jewish worship on the Temple Mount, in place since just after the Six Day War for security reasons. He and other activists had expected the new government to lift the ban, but now believe that there is little chance for such a change.

## Female fans of Amir send apologies to Leah Rabin

THE three teenage girls who set up the "Yigal Amir fan club" in admiration of Yitzhak Rabin's assassin, said yesterday they were sorry and sent letters of apology to Rabin's widow.

"I am sorry about everything," Merav Hazan told *Yedioth Aharonot*. "I don't support Rabin's murder."

Merav's mother also apologized. "I want to express sorrow and regret for all that happened, and apologize before everyone, including Leah Rabin," Sima Hazan told Army Radio yesterday.

"She's only 16 and not mature... We believe that the murder of the prime minister is the worst possible thing. What do you think, that we educate our children to kill, or smoke drugs? There are no pictures of Amir in our home and I didn't know she went to Tel Aviv to attend his trial. She said she was going to buy shoes."

Meanwhile, the National Religious Party struck back at the Labor Party's attacks on the religious-Zionist community and on the state-religious school system.

"We never said that the entire

Labor movement is responsible for the massive emigration of its young people from Israel, or for the famous cases of gang rape, or for the drugs and alcohol in its camp," said MK Avraham Stern. "It would have been appropriate for them to learn from us how to conduct themselves."

Stern said that leaders of the religious-Zionist movement had condemned the fan club and called for the issue to be dealt with seriously.

"But what is needed is to deal with the problem, not to incriminate an entire community like the Bnei Akiva youth movement and students of hesder yeshivot [which combine army and yeshiva studies]."

In an interview with Army Radio, Prof. Uriel Simon of Bar-Ilan University said that admiration for Rabin's assassin and justification for his deed are not a marginal phenomenon in certain political cultures.

He said that religious-Zionism did undertake a process of soul-searching after the Rabin assassination but that it stopped prematurely with the Right's victory in the elections.

**HUNGRY holidaymakers storm into El Al business class lounge**

**HAIM SHAPIRO**

SOME 200 air travelers who were to have left for Montenegro on Sunday finally took off yesterday, after a delay of almost 24 hours during which the passengers broke into the El Al business class lounge.

The JAT Yugoslav Airlines flight was due to have taken off at 2:40 p.m. on Sunday, but at 5 p.m., after the passengers had been on the plane for over two hours without air-conditioning, they were told to return to the airport.

According to Nachman Klieman, spokesman for El Al, which provides ground services for JAT, the JAT representative instructed El Al to feed the waiting passengers at about 7 p.m. However, Klieman added, at that time El Al did not have enough meals available for all the passengers.

At about midnight, the passengers forced their way into El Al's King David Lounge, eating everything in sight, he said. He added that they only left the lounge after the JAT representative arrived at the airport and told the passengers they would be transferred to hotels in Tel Aviv.

The flight finally took off yesterday at about 1:30 p.m.

## Court: New governments should not replace senior civil servants

**EVELYN GORDON**

A CHANGE in government does not justify the replacement of senior civil servants, except in a few cases where a relationship of special trust is necessary, the High Court of Justice said yesterday.

The civil service commissioner is not a ruling that requires such a relationship, the court continued, and therefore, the new government should not have tried to fire Commissioner Yitzhak Galnoor without solid reasons - which, at first glance, appeared not to exist.

These statements were made in a ruling by Justices Aharon Barak, Gavriel Bach and Mishael Cheshin on two petitions against Galnoor's

dismissal - one by the Movement for Quality Government in Israel, and one by Galnoor himself.

However, the court stressed that it was refraining from ruling conclusively on the validity of the government's reasons for firing Galnoor, since such a ruling became unnecessary once the government changed its mind and decided not to fire him. This decision was made last month, in light of the court's comments during a preliminary hearing on the petitions.

The Movement for Quality Government expressed satisfaction with the ruling, saying it strengthened the status and independence of the civil service commissioner.

## State appeals against sentence of father who raped daughters

THE State Attorney's Office yesterday appealed to the Supreme Court against a 10-year prison term given to a father convicted of raping his daughters, saying the lower court should have issued a stiffer sentence.

The father, a 58-year-old resident of the center of the country, was convicted of raping and molesting his daughters when they were seven, 13 and 14, and threatening his wife.

In the appeal, the state attorney said the man's acts were unusually cruel and disgusting, as stated in the Tel Aviv District Court's ruling. Despite this, the appeal said, the court did not issue the maximum sentence. Moreover, the man had previously been given a suspended sentence for sexually assaulting his daughters.

The state attorney noted that the man had positioned a bed in his living room, where each evening he would pick a daughter to rape, while the rest of the family watched. He threatened his wife and beat her to prevent her from protecting her daughters.

In its ruling, the district court said the man may have been led to act as he did because he was a new immigrant experiencing absorption difficulties. The appeal said such a consideration was flawed, especially since one of the daughters said the man's abuse had begun before the family came to Israel.

"This is a case of harsh, humiliating acts committed by a man against his daughters, who in their tender years became slaves to the man's unrestrained sexual whims," the appeal said. "The court system is the protector of these minors who have no means of defense. This man should be kept away from his daughters long enough for them to be able to live the rest of their childhoods as children and not as sex slaves to their father."

(Itim)

## 10-year-old stabs 11-year-old in Ashkelon

A 10-YEAR-OLD boy stabbed and lightly wounded an 11-year-old boy in Ashkelon yesterday, during a fight that ensued after his younger sister said the older boy had pushed her.

The girl, 9, had been playing with her friends, when she told her brother that the 11-year-old had pushed her. The brother then ran into his house and emerged with a pocketknife, with which he stabbed the other boy several times, as friends cheered him on.

The case was referred to the local welfare authorities.

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# Jack Kemp - a politician with a future again

OUT of the think tank, into the arena, Jack Kemp is a politician with a future again.

He was a perennial prospect, but with no options left - until Bob Dole summoned him to the second spot on the Republican ticket. As vice presidential nominee, Kemp vaults to the top rank among potential Republican candidates for the White House next time, should Dole fall short, or win one term and decide against seeking another.

"It really feels great to win a silver medal in presidential politics in 1996," Kemp said as he and Dole sailed into San Diego for the Republican National Convention. He had warmed up to go for the gold himself this year, then said no, unwilling to commit to the fund-raising marathon it would have taken to run a primary campaign. He did run in 1988, quit early and said he'd try again.

But there was no evident route back. Not until he became a

medalist on the strength of one improbable vote, Dole's for running mate, putting aside differences that sometimes had verged on antagonism.

Kemp said he is a Dole man, a team player.

Dole signed him as a partner with national standing, a figure who could boost a ticket that badly needs it, to stir and energize Republicans and to begin cutting away at President Clinton's lead in the public opinion polls.

"Everything before has been a warmup, a trial heat," Dole said. "But here in San Diego, the real race begins."

Despite the celebration and euphoria of the national convention, there remains an undercurrent of pessimism about Dole's campaign. Make it a real race, a close contest, and Kemp will benefit even should they lose.

He said not long ago that he was in the wilderness, wondering

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where he fit in the Republican Party. His base was Empower America, the conservative organization he helped found. The political credits of his congressional and Cabinet service were fading; he was a compelling speaker and salesman for his tax-cutting economic growth doctrine, but without a role for himself.

Now all that changes. As Dole's lieutenant, promising teamwork and loyalty, Kemp becomes a could-be instead of a has-been. Vice presidential nominees, even on losing tickets, usually make the short list of prospects for the next presidential nomination.

Vice President Al Gore would be a towering favorite in office, formidable even in blameless defeat, for the Democratic nomination in 2000. Dan Quayle's ranking rivaled

Dole's in pre-season Republican polling, a measure of the name recognition that goes with the office, even the losing of it.

Five of the last 10 presidents first served as vice president, and former vice presidents have been on one ticket or the other in all but one of the last nine elections.

Kemp is running with a nominee who, at 73, would become the oldest man ever inaugurated to a first term as president. Indeed, in charting his campaign for the nomination, Dole had considered limiting himself to a one-term presidency, an idea discarded after polling showed it would hinder, not help him.

Win, and that would remain a possibility. Lose, and Dole would take the blame, not Kemp, barring major, damaging blunders in his campaigning. Voters decide between presidential candidates, not their undersudies. And the Dole campaign was troubled

before Kemp got there; he was enlisted to help.

All of that puts Kemp, 61, in an advantageous position, for this campaign and the next. Should the 2000 Republican nomination be an open race, there likely will be a crowd of competitors, among them some of this year's losers, with new entries, too.

Pat Buchanan almost surely would be trying again. He all but said so in telling his supporters to suspend their battles temporarily and "join in common cause" against Clinton.

"It is time for a party race in the name of national victory," the cantankerous conservative candidate said, effectively accepting the Dole ticket.

The Dole-Kemp ticket. As No. 2, Kemp is back.

The writer, a vice president and columnist of The Associated Press, has reported from national conventions since 1964.

# Sweet-smiling Elizabeth Dole stays independent

CURT ANDERSON  
SAN DIEGO

WITH her sweet smile and sugary Southern accent, Elizabeth Dole is the image of the perfect presidential wife, but within lies an ambitious woman every bit as independent as Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Maybe more so.

Whether Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole wins or loses to President Clinton in November, Mrs. Dole expects to return to the presidency of the American Red Cross.

"There's a commitment there," she said firmly during a recent half-hour interview.

Mrs. Clinton never tried to become the first presidential spouse in history to work outside the White House. Instead, she worked from within, supervising the massive health reform bill that failed in 1994. It was one of the worst defeats of Clinton's term, and she has since dropped out of a public policymaking role.

But the two wives are more alike than they appear. Both earned Ivy League law degrees, and both had accomplished careers distinct from their husbands - Elizabeth in government and charity, Hillary practicing law.

Perhaps it is just a matter of style, as subtle as Mrs. Dole's decision not to use her middle name, Hanford, or her way of dealing with people, all Southern warmth and soft handshakes.

"Elizabeth does have an image that's softer. I don't know that she's any less driven, or hard-working," said Debbie Walsh, acting director of the Center for the American Woman and Politics at Rutgers University. "She is someone who is quite strong and quite influential."

Mrs. Dole, a North Carolina native, said she does not know Mrs. Clinton well, but considers her a "gracious" person.

"I think she's a very talented person, very intelligent, very committed to doing what she thinks is right for the country," Mrs. Dole said. "But I see us as very different people with very different styles. We disagree on most of the issues."

Mrs. Dole does not like to be labeled ambitious, saying she attempts to balance her spiritual, personal and professional lives to prevent one from ruling all the others.

"Making a positive difference for others, that's what drives me. The word ambition - it's not some driving ambition. That's just not me," she said.

Dole frequently says his wife won't be in charge of health care "or anything else" in his administration, even though she served presidents Reagan and Bush as head of the departments of Transportation and Labor.

She has been mentioned as a vice presidential possibility in past campaigns, and buttons circulating at the Republican convention say "Elizabeth in 2000."

Beyond the Red Cross and a campaign to increase charitable giving overall, Mrs. Dole describes her approach as one of a knowledgeable helpmate.

"Since the presidency would be the most demanding job in the world, that would be a time when my husband would need my love and support even more," she said. "That's what I think wives, and spouses, are all about."

She said there is a "continuing dialogue" between the Doles on issues affecting the campaign, one she expects would continue at the White House. She described herself as a sounding board, not afraid to make suggestions.

"I try to sort of be the eyes and ears for him out there," she said. "Obviously, we share thoughts as any couple does that respects one another and has a very happy marriage."

Mrs. Dole has a number of events scheduled during the convention this week, culminating in a speech tomorrow night to the delegates. Her job, she said, is to make people watching at home understand "Bob the person."

Dole's older sister, Gloria Nelson, views Mrs. Dole's role this way: "She can talk about Bob better than he can talk about himself." (AP)

## Even eyeglass cases checked

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Tight security for the Republican National Convention has already meant long waits in line, stalled traffic and searches of personal items as small as eyeglass cases.

"They've got everything but the sandbags," said Peter Orier, a Christian Science Monitor reporter who compared security measures to those he saw in Saudi Arabia during the Gulf War.

Security was revamped after the fatal July 27 bombing in Atlanta's Olympic Centennial Park and the signs of high protection were everywhere.

The wait entering the harbor-front San Diego Convention Center stretched to an hour or more. Concrete barriers placed across streets leading to the center kept traffic tangled for blocks, but there were few people to manage at the official protest site, a fenced area across the tracks from the convention center.

Workers were frisked with metal detectors, journalists were ordered to turn on tape recorders to prove they worked and photographers had to snap pictures to show their cameras held film, not explosives.

Offshore, the Coast Guard set up a checkpoint to search boats going in and out of Marriott Marina, said Lt. John Reinert.

Inside the convention center, police used a trained dog to check out a report of a suspicious package, but no bomb was found, said Bill Robinson, a San Diego Police Department spokesman.

The security screen was put into place Saturday evening after authorities made a final search of the convention center for weapons and explosives ahead of yesterday's opening.

The switch to stricter measures appeared to go smoothly.

"They told us it was going to be much more thorough," said AT-and-T technician Alan Sophier as he waited for his turn at a checkpoint. "You have to have certain passes and even then you have to be escorted."

Some found the heightened security frustrating. Lori Solomon of San Diego showed up at the convention center early Sunday to set up a photo concession. Nearly three hours later, she was still waiting.

"We were told we would get our credentials here. We've been waiting since 5:30," she said.

Of the 13 protests staged at the official site Sunday, none drew more than 50 people and most struggled to get a crowd that numbered in double digits. About a dozen police officers were scattered around the perimeter. No arrests were reported.

The more active protests were held in other areas of the city, including Chicano Park, where several hundred college students, Hispanic activists and families marched in support of affirmative action. Along Harbor Drive, the main route from the airport to the convention center, demonstrators held signs supporting abortion rights and others touting Clinton-Gore '96 signs.



Republican presidential hopeful Bob Dole, and his wife Elizabeth, shake hands with supporters while Dole's running mate, Jack Kemp (behind the Doles) waves to the rallying supporters before the start of the Republican national convention on San Diego. (Reuters)

# Republicans open convention to nominate Dole

REPUBLICANS opened a carefully choreographed convention yesterday hoping it can be an inspiring love-fest for Bob Dole after rightwing rebel Pat Buchanan called for unity to defeat President Bill Clinton.

Buchanan's decision delighted the Dole camp and removed a major irritant as they prepared for four days of political speeches and hoopla that they hope will convince Americans Dole can beat incumbent Clinton in the November 5 election.

The highlight of the first day was to be a speech by retired Armed Forces Chief General Colin Powell that is intended to show the party is inclusive and tolerant of moderates within its ranks.

There also are speeches by former Presidents George Bush and Gerald Ford and a tribute to Ronald Reagan - capped by a speech from his wife Nancy.

Reagan, who suffers from Alzheimer's Disease, will not be present at the convention. Not scheduled to speak are two governors

who oppose the party's anti-abortion stand and Buchanan, whose 1992 convention speech was thought to have frightened away many potential moderate supporters with its warning that America should wage a war over religious and moral values.

But on the eve of the convention, Buchanan gave Dole an unexpected present, calling a truce until election day so that the party could unite against Clinton.

Buchanan warned Dole and his supporters nonetheless that despite the truce, he had not ended his crusade to take over the party. "This is not just my party, it is our party too," he said, saying many planks in the party platform came out of his campaign.

The rightwing commentator, who was refused a speaking role at the convention for refusing to endorse Dole, told a rally near San Diego it was time for a truce even though he

had not moderated his rightwing "America First" views.

"Today, this disunited party of ours needs a Truce of San Diego. At least for the next two weeks let nobles and knights and even peasants with pitchforks suspend our battles with one another and join in common cause to defeat Bill Clinton."

Buchanan, who had thought of leaving the party and making an independent bid for the White House, appeared to rule that out, saying, "We can't walk away. America does not necessarily need a third party. What we need is a fighting second party."

His words came at the 11th hour but were nonetheless welcome to Republicans who want a united front in the uphill fight against the incumbent president, who polls say holds between a nine and 20 point lead over Dole.

Buchanan did not say if he will endorse Dole. His campaign manager and sister Bay said he would decide tomorrow or Thursday. (Reuters)

# Perot, Lamm attack everyone else

LONG BEACH (AP) - Banting for the Reform Party presidential nomination, Ross Perot and Richard Lamm picked the same targets at the fledgling party's first convention.

Republicans and Democrats have "become a very large part of the problem," said the former Colorado Gov. Lamm, who's trying to steal the nomination from party founder Perot.

Perot has insisted for months his third-party movement is not about himself. "We in the Reform Party

must never allow ourselves to become involved in self-interest. We must only act in the best interest of the greatest country in the history of man."

As the first part of the two-stage convention unfolded Sunday evening, Lamm spoke softly and the billionaire businessman Perot carried a Texas-sized stick meant only for the two-party system.

The two candidates kept to familiar platforms as they spoke to an auditorium filled with supporters

waving signs - including those from the Lamm forces whose placards were at first deemed too long at up to 90 cm across, according to party rules. The Long Beach Convention Center crowd cheered with a fervor usually reserved for a high school football homecoming, much of the cheering led by Perot-paid staffers.

Lamm took the podium first in the made-for-TV convention.

Speaking with his characteristic soft voice, his message was sometimes hard. He called for a battle

## Clinton keeps lead in polls

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SAN DIEGO

PRESIDENT Bill Clinton still holds a big lead over Republican challenger Bob Dole, according to polls just out, but one survey indicated Dole got a boost from picking Jack Kemp as running mate.

A Time Magazine/CNN poll showed Dole trailing Clinton by 20 percentage points, a typical margin in recent polling. The president's comfortable lead also was mirrored in an ABC News tracking poll, which showed Clinton ahead by 19 points.

A third poll, done for USA Today and CNN by the Gallup organization, gave Clinton a narrower nine-point lead over Dole. The closer margin appeared to reflect the upward "bump" generated by excitement over Dole's selection of Kemp as his running mate.

The Time/CNN poll of 1,203 Americans, with Clinton leading Dole 51 percent to 31 percent, also showed strong support for Democrats in congressional races.

Fifty-one percent of the respondents said they would support the Democratic candidate for Congress in their district, and 39 percent said they would support the Republican candidate. Republicans currently control both houses of Congress.

That poll was conducted Aug. 7-8, before Dole announced his choice of Kemp, and had a sampling error of plus or minus 2.3 percentage points.

The ABC News poll, first in a

series of daily tracking reports the network will conduct during the Republican convention, showed Clinton with the same 19-point lead whether or not independent Ross Perot entered the race.

Clinton led Dole 56 percent to 37 percent in a head-to-head race. In the three-way race, Clinton led with 51 percent to Dole's 32 percent; Perot polled 12 percent.

More than three-fourths of the 1,449 polled by ABC were reached after the Kemp selection. The margin of error was 3 points.

The USA Today/CNN poll showed the Clinton-Gore ticket with a 53 percent to 44 percent lead over Dole-Kemp.

Meanwhile, mixing politics with pleasure, Clinton yesterday announced a deal to stop a proposed mine near Yellowstone National Park and then hike through its forests.

Interrupting his vacation, Clinton flew to Yellowstone to unveil the plan to halt the mining complex 4 km from the park, which was to extract an estimated \$600 million to \$800 million worth of gold, silver and copper.

The pact involved giving the mine's developer, Crown Butte Mines Inc., less sensitive federal land in exchange for the property near Yellowstone.

"The agreement calls for the Crown Butte Company to turn over all deeds and mining rights to the \$650 million gold mine," the White House said in a document released yesterday. "In turn, the United States will give the company federal property worth up to \$65 million," the document said.

Clinton drew attention to the proposed mine during a vacation in Wyoming last year, flying over in a helicopter to inspect it and then moving to slow down mining development in the region.

Environmentalists said the planned complex would badly damage Yellowstone, which sprawls across the three western states of Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. They also disliked it because the company's plan called for a 30-hectare reservoir to hold toxic waste from the mine.

"We believe because of the chemistry, the altitude and the proximity to Yellowstone, there is no way you can do this in an environmentally sound manner," Robert Ekey of the Greater Yellowstone Coalition conservation group said.

Critics say the reservoir and its dam, in an area prone to earthquakes, would have to remain intact forever to prevent the waste from contaminating the Yellowstone water system.

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Rescue workers search the waters off the south-western island of Oleron for victims of a trawler accident in which the 'l'Essor' capsized during a local sea festival event. Five people are known to have drowned while four others are missing. (Reuters)

## Cyprus protests to UN over killing

NICOSIA (Reuters) — Cyprus yesterday lodged protests with the United Nations after the killing of a Greek Cypriot by a mob during a buffer-zone protest as Turkish Cypriot leader urged the Cypriot president to meet him to help start the process towards a settlement on the divided island.

Foreign Minister Alecios Michaelides summoned ambassadors of the five permanent members of the Security Council and the UN representative to protest over Sunday's violence.

Bloody clashes erupted in Dherinia, 100 km southeast of Nicosia, when hundreds of Greek Cypriots tried to push across the UN-patrolled buffer zone to protest against Turkey's presence in the north.

More than 50 Greek Cypriots and 12 Turkish Cypriots were wounded in the clashes, the worst violence on the island since Turkey invaded its northern third in 1974 after a short-lived coup in Nicosia engineered by the colonels then ruling Greece.

The events of yesterday the criminal and condemnable murder underline that we must accelerate efforts for finding a solution to the Cyprus problem," Michaelides told Reuters.

"The international community must multiply efforts and show resolve to bring to an end this drama," he said.

In the Turkish-held north, Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktaş reiterated a call to meet "My call to Mr. Clerides to come and meet me personally is the key to opening the future process" towards a settlement, he told BBC radio.

"If we meet, if we have a coffee together even that will be sufficient indication to the people that something constructive, something positive is afoot."

The dead man, restaurant owner Tassos Isaac, 24, died of severe head injuries. Witnesses said Isaac, who leaves a pregnant wife, fell on barbed wire and was trapped in the buffer zone where he was beaten with stones and steel bars on the head by demonstrators from the other side, a few metres away from UN Austrian and Hungarian peacekeepers.

Michaelides said members of the Turkish right-wing Grey Wolves militant group were on the frontline during Sunday's counter-demonstration.

He said if the international community did not put pressure on Turkey, "then we should expect the return of these Grey Wolves terrorists to Cyprus".

"In Turkey, the only country to recognize a breakaway administration in northern Cyprus,

Foreign Minister Tansu Ciller called the Greek Cypriot demonstration a serious provocation.

"If there are efforts to disregard the borders of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus we will take the necessary action," Turkey's Anatolian news agency quoted her as saying.

The Grey Wolves had planned a counter-demonstration in the Turkish-held areas and some of their flags were discernible on Sunday being waved in the area where Isaac was killed.

Pictures of the killing show Turkish Cypriot police present as Isaac was being beaten with steel bars. One picture shows a Turkish Cypriot policeman standing over him, holding a steel bar to the man's neck.

"I don't know what picture was manufactured and sent to you," Denktaş told the BBC. "Because we saw it on the TV as things happened it is certainly not the police who did it. I am sure it is doctored," he said.

Isaac was one of around 400 people who entered the buffer zone. The United Nations denied eyewitness accounts that their peacekeepers were standing idle when he was mobbed.

The protesters who charged into the zone were some of thousands who had gathered in Nicosia to take part in a demonstration heading for the occupied town of Kyrenia.

## Lebed seeks truce for Chechnya

RUSSIAN security tsar Alexander Lebed said yesterday he and rebel chief of staff Aslan Maskhadov had agreed to try to work out a ceasefire deal to end seven days of fighting in Grozny.

Lebed, speaking at a news conference after returning to Moscow from talks in Chechnya, spoke of the woeful state of the Russian army fighting there. "I suspected things were bad there, but I could never have imagined they were that bad."

The tough-talking general said the Russian troops sent to quell the region's independence bid were in an awful shape.

"The poor creatures, hungry, frail, half-dressed, who man Russian posts there cannot represent the army and the Interior Ministry forces," he said. "One sees people there, indifferent and tired, lacking guidance, their morale low."

This he contrasted with the morale of the enemy whom he described as "good warriors" fired by belief in their homeland.

He said he now expected Russia's Security Council, in which he has a major role, to be given wider responsibilities.

"(Military commander Gen. Konstantin) Pulikovskiy and Maskhadov are discussing details of a truce and separation of troops in Grozny right now," he said.

"If they agree terms, the cease-

fire may even start tomorrow morning," he said.

The retired general, appointed by President Boris Yeltsin over the weekend to be his special envoy to Chechnya, reported to the president on the results of his Chechnya trip. Lebed's motorcade was fired on twice during the trip.

His "proposals for settlement of the situation on the whole, received the Russian president's approval," Yeltsin's office said.

A week after rebels overran Grozny, the Chechen capital, heavy fighting continued yesterday and the rebels continued to hold much of the city. Russian forces said they were abandoning air attacks and would focus on sending in ground troops backed by armored vehicles.

Scores of Russian soldiers have been killed in the fighting, and Yeltsin has demanded action to regain Russian control of Grozny.

Lebed met overnight with Maskhadov and a high-ranking rebel delegation, including the rebels' main spokesman, Movladi Udugov, and field commander Shirvani Basayev. Islamic leaders also attended.

The meeting was in the village of Starye Atagi, about 20 km south of Grozny, scene of a major battle over the past week.

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Lebed's motorcade came under fire twice during his visit to Chechnya, his office said, adding that it was not known who fired the shots. No other details were given.

A statement from Lebed's office said the two sides discussed conditions for a cease-fire and the rebels' withdrawal from Grozny.

"There was a very constructive dialogue, the shortness of which can be explained ... not only by a shortage of time, since bloodshed continues, but by careful preparation," the statement said.

It referred to the rebel delegation as representing "Ichkeria" — the word the separatists use for their homeland, and usually shunned by the Russians.

The Interfax news agency cited Maskhadov as saying he did not rule out that "the war in the republic can be stopped with the full guarantee of Russia's interests."

The agency cited an unidentified rebel spokesman as saying Lebed offered a "principally new" approach to settling the conflict, and that Maskhadov basically agreed with it.

The head of the Russian-backed Chechen government said yesterday that he, too, is open to negotiations. Doku Zavgayev told reporters he is ready to hold talks with the separatists and even allow some of them into his government "to tackle national problems," Interfax said.

## Outrage over press deal for octuplet mom

LONDON (Reuters) — An exclusive contract between a British tabloid newspaper and a woman expecting eight babies after fertility treatment provoked a torrent of criticism yesterday.

The weekly *News of the World* reported on Sunday that the woman, Mandy Allwood, 31, of Solihull in central England was planning to let nature take its course despite medical advice that this could risk the lives of her babies and herself.

The tabloid newspaper's decision to buy exclusive rights to Allwood's story, which it emphasized with a warning to other media organizations that it would take legal action to defend those rights, fuelled a row over abortions and fertility drugs.

In a barrage of criticism, Britain's media yesterday turned against Allwood and the *News of the World*, attacking both her character and the newspaper's decision to pay for her story.

Sensationalist tabloids and serious broadsheet newspapers accused the paper and Allwood, a divorcee who already has a son from her first marriage, of indulging in a publicity circus profoundly offensive to childless women.

They focused particularly on Allwood's hiring of media agent Max Clifford, known for handling sensational cases.

The tabloid *Daily Mail* said in an editorial: "Fertility treatment is being reduced to a freak show."

Even the *News of the World's* sister paper, the mass-selling *Sunday Sun*, turned against Allwood, saying: "The disturbing case reduces the preciousness of life to a super-market commodity."

"The *Sun* initially welcomed the news of Mandy's pregnancy with such delight," it said in an editorial which took up a column of the front page plus an inside page. "Only now, as the tangled web around Mandy unravels, do we feel a sense of outrage that human life is being treated so lightly."

The press also targeted Allwood's business dealings, her relationship with the father of the octuplets and the ease with which she got fertility treatment despite both her and her lover having children by other partners.

Clifford said yesterday Allwood was relaxed and comfortable despite the backlash.

## Northern Ireland hopes 'mad months' are over

BELLAGHY, Northern Ireland (AP) — Northern Ireland hoped its bitter summer of Protestant parades and Catholic protests finished yesterday after negotiators defused a showdown in this mostly Catholic village.

Riot police lined Bellaghy's William Street as about 400 members of the Royal Black Institution, the province's most religious Protestant order, marched up to Catholic protesters linked arm in arm across the road — then did an agreed U-turn back down the hill.

Many locals hoped the year's remaining Protestant marches — the bulk coming Aug. 31, including another Black procession through Bellaghy — will avoid the kind any more confrontations.

"I've lived with these marches all my life. They go right past our door and never give us any bother. We stand and watch them each year even though we're of the opposite religion. I can't really see the sense in trying to stop them, but then I'm not a hard-liner," said Brenda O'Kane, 26, a Catholic whose parents' home and shop was caught in the middle.

Like many in Bellaghy, O'Kane thought the protest brought more hassle than the marches do. She'd dropped by to have lunch with her parents, then found herself a prisoner in their home for a day.

But those who eventually struck the compromise — pro-Protestant Protestants determined to march to their graffiti-strewn hall in Bellaghy, and Irish Republican Army supporters determined to stop them — afterward sounded as determined as ever to thwart each other's will.

"The consent given today in no way lessens our opposition to sectarian parades," protest organizer Paul Smith, a member of the IRA-allied Sinn Fein

party, told the 200-odd people who had camped out in William Street since Sunday afternoon.

"Nor does it affect our right to withhold consent on future occasions."

The Blackmen, as members of the marching group are called, denied they negotiated directly with the Catholic protesters, and urged the police to prosecute them all.

The order's chief negotiator in Bellaghy, Robert Overend, condemned the protesters as "sponsored by the IRA." He noted that some protesters were Sinn Fein figures from other parts of Northern Ireland — among them two paroled IRA figures who lead anti-marching groups in Belfast and Portadown.

"But I suppose it's better that these people are sitting down on the pavements rather than slipping round in the night to shoot me," added Overend, a Bellaghy pig breeder.

Northern Ireland's summer marching season — popularly called "the mad months" — always features heightened sectarian passions.

The Protestant marches and their five-and-drum bands were part of life for Nobel-winning poet Seamus Heaney, who was raised on a Bellaghy farm. His Catholic perspective shows in his 1975 poem describing a Protestant drummer: "He is raised up by what he buckles under ... His battered signature subscribes 'No Pope'."

This year Catholic protesters have been determined to bar all three of Northern Ireland's Protestant fraternal orders from parading in or near Catholic areas — an agenda that exposed the divisions of this society.

Last month police blocked the Orange Order from parading through Portadown's main Catholic district. When police backed down, Catholic areas erupted in fiercer rioting.

## South Africa to teach a new past

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — South Africa, none too proud of its apartheid past, yesterday unveiled textbooks to teach children history in a new way.

Education officials in Johannesburg showed off new books which do away with the old, white version of history peddled by disgraced apartheid authorities until 1994, and pose questions in its place.

President Nelson Mandela's government has been keen not to replace white history with a new official black history, but to teach children that there is no one correct view of the past.

"The idea now is to add all the other voices that could not be heard before, not to kill off the voice that was there," said Jean September, a teachers' union official who is helping draw up the first nationwide curriculum.

Schools are currently teaching an interim curriculum that for practical reasons still relies heavily on old apartheid-era manuals dwelling on Afrikaners and their struggle to survive.

"There are still many textbooks out there that tell a story of white heroism in South African history," said Tim Nuttall, senior history lecturer at the University of Natal.

Under apartheid, schoolchildren got a European view of the world and a lopsided white view of South Africa, where history was deemed to have begun only when the first Dutchman, Jan van Riebeeck, landed at the Cape of Good Hope in 1652.

They learnt that he discovered a South Africa devoid of people, an

inaccuracy but one central to the "we were here first" justification of white rule which ignored the local Khoikhoi, or bushmen, and the black tribes living to the east.

"Instead of having to memorize the date Van Riebeeck arrived, children are now asked to imagine what the Khoikhoi thought of him when he set foot on the beach and what he thought of them," said Penny Berens, editor of the new textbooks.

In the new spirit of diversity, the books will only be some among many and teachers will be free to choose texts for the new curriculum, which will be phased in gradually by 2000.

"We don't need one authorized version of history, that led to rote-learning," Nuttall said. "White history put blacks on the periphery — as a threat in the 19th century and as labor supply in the 20th."

Louis Kriel of the education ministry said the old syllabus only went up to 1970 and most black schools, unhappy to promote the official view of the post-war apartheid era, avoided the issue altogether by studying earlier periods.

But even earlier history was laden with ideology, stressing racial differences and forcing children to study the 19th century Great Trek, when Afrikaners fled British rule in the Cape for the interior.

"We are removing the contentious and the outdated," Kriel said. "And we will emphasize the period from 1948, it's the most important for our history."

## NATO implements Bosnia security plan

SARAJEVO (Reuters) — NATO ordered isolated troops in Serb-held Bosnia to withdraw to defensible bases yesterday despite an apparent climbdown by the Serbs in a crisis over weapons inspection.

Observers said the NATO order, which included a call to international civilian staff to pull back from Serb territory, would free the alliance to take action against the Serbs, who had been blocking NATO inspection of a military site at Han Pijesak in contravention of the Dayton peace agreement.

Bosnian Serb President Biljana Plavsic said yesterday that the NATO-led peace Implementation Force (IFOR) would after all be allowed to examine the site.

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana also said yesterday after meeting Plavsic, that the Bosnian Serbs would allow the inspection, resolving the "most important violation of the Dayton peace accord."

On Saturday the Serbs barred a NATO team from inspecting the site at the Bosnian Serb army staff headquarters in the Bosnian Serb republic — Republika Srpska — at Han Pijesak, about 60km north-east of Sarajevo.

NATO said in a statement yesterday: "On account of ongoing military operations, Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Walker, commander ground forces, activated Operation Fear Naught today, to take effect at 1400 hours throughout the Republika Srpska."

It added: "Operation Fear Naught is a comprehensive security plan for the NATO ground forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina. As part of the plan, small, isolated detachments of IFOR troops stationed in the Republika Srpska will redeploy to larger, more secure areas and bases."

"In conjunction with the military action, Lieutenant-General Walker is recommending that all NGOs (non-governmental organizations) and other international civilian organizations withdraw their foreign staff from the Republika Srpska as soon as possible."

Serb obstruction violated the Dayton agreement which gives NATO the right to use any means, including force, to carry out its mission in Bosnia.

## India blocks foreign media

NEW DELHI (Reuters) — The Indian government yesterday ruled out the entry of foreign print media into India and said it would not allow foreign television networks to broadcast from Indian soil.

"There will be no entry in the country of foreign media, no uplinking (broadcast) of foreign networks also," a government spokeswoman said yesterday, quoting Information and Broadcasting Minister C.M. Ibrahim as telling reporters in New Delhi.

The decision came after speculation that India, which began

opening up its economy to the world under a liberalisation programme started in 1991, might allow foreign and domestic firms to end a state monopoly over broadcast stations.

The announcement confirms that India has decided not to reverse a decision by the cabinet in 1955 to bar foreign media firms from publishing in India.

Foreign networks currently beam to India from abroad and publishers sell in India their editions printed abroad. The government's decision announced yesterday does not in any way bar news-gathering by foreign media.

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## Lebanon first

**S**YRIA'S rejection of Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's proposal to resume peace talks based on the concept of "Lebanon first" should lay to rest any illusions in the West about President Hafez Assad's desire for peace with Israel. By rejecting such an eminently reasonable and sensible overture, the Syrian dictator has demonstrated once again that he is in no particular rush to come to terms.

Netanyahu's proposal, which he outlined last week in a speech at the graduation ceremony of the National Defense College, is that Israel and Syria should resume talks in the US in an effort, to build trust and inspire mutual confidence between the two sides. The prime minister stated that Israel would be prepared to withdraw its troops from the security zone in southern Lebanon if three conditions are met: the dismantling of Hizbullah, the deployment of the Lebanese army to the international border with Israel, and the granting of guarantees concerning the protection of Israel's Christian allies in southern Lebanon.

As the prime minister noted in his address, the situation in Lebanon is truly Kafkaesque. Netanyahu stated, "Here is a situation where the Israeli prime minister announces that he wants to withdraw from the territory of an Arab state - Lebanon. But the Syrian government, together with the Lebanese, are opposing this withdrawal."

Indeed, one cannot help but wonder whether

Syria, its rhetoric notwithstanding, is truly interested in an Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon. The presence of Israeli forces in Lebanon provides the Assad regime with a rallying cry, and enables Syria to justify the presence of its own occupation army, which controls two-thirds of Lebanese soil.

Were Israel to withdraw, international pressure would almost certainly mount on Syria to pull back its forces as well, something that Assad, who views Lebanon as part and parcel of Greater Syria, is not particularly inclined to do. Leaving Lebanon would also require Syria to give up on the profitable opium and hashish industry that it oversees and cultivates in the Bekaa Valley; which has proven to be an important source of revenue for senior Syrian officials.

Netanyahu's proposal should also help remove doubts about his diplomatic skills. Less than two months into his administration, Netanyahu has shrewdly succeeded in maneuvering the Syrian leader firmly into a corner, forcing the latter to come across as the rejectionist in the eyes of the world. This is no small achievement, given Assad's reputation for being a clever and calculating political operator. By placing the ball squarely in Assad's court, and outfoxing him in the process, Netanyahu has demonstrated not only that he is interested in peace, but that he can also play the game of international diplomacy with the best of them.

## Adolescent behavior

**T**HE Hebrew term *tipesh-esreh* ("silly teens"), perhaps best describes the years of adolescence. No doubt all of us can remember, with varying degrees of embarrassment, the thoughts, feelings and fantasies that occupied our minds during this vital period of development. Few national television reporters would say that such feelings and fantasies are worth prime-time exposure.

And so it should have been with the remarks made by the teenage girls in Kiryat Gat who claimed to idolize Yigal Amir. However, it appears the interests of the "silly teens" coincided with the interests of the "silly season" in the newsroom at Israel Television, and so the prestigious *Yoman* newsmagazine decided to devote precious minutes of airtime to three immature adolescents talking about their attraction to Yitzhak Rabin's murderer.

Of course, these teens should be taken to task. Amir's murder of the prime minister, and his refusal to express remorse, should only evoke feelings of utter revulsion. But the fact that these girls apparently feel otherwise signifies more than they have a lot of growing up to do than any deep failing on the part of the state-religious schools.

There is no denying the existence of a dangerous fringe in Israeli society that does not have the proper respect for the rule of law and democratic norms: the shameful "pilgrimages" to Baruch Goldstein's grave in Kiryat Arba is but one example. But the Kiryat Gat schoolgirls do not belong in this category. Had the *Yoman* shown that these teenagers were only the tip of the iceberg, and that there were hundreds and thousands of youngsters flocking to Yigal Amir "fan clubs," then it would be a different matter, worthy of an Education Ministry probe. But as long as it is just an isolated incident of three silly girls - who are now beginning to sing a different tune as they realize the offensiveness of their behavior - it should be left out of the media spotlight and dealt with in the school and the home.

Unfortunately, it is unclear whether the school's principal, Rabel Buhbut, is the right person to set these girls straight. Her reported remarks that these girls worship Amir the same way others admire Aviy Gefen shows a staggering lack of the sensitivity and judgment that one would expect in an educator. Like him or detest him, Gefen does not deserve to be placed on the same level as the prime minister's murderer.



## An old friend returns

**J**ack Kemp brings something to the Republican ticket that has been sorely missing - a true friend of Israel with close ties to the Jewish community.

GOP nominee Bob Dole is considered by most to be a fair weather friend, but his choice for running mate has proven himself a consistent and reliable supporter. During his 18 years in the House of Representatives, Kemp was the leading conservative and Republican voice in support of foreign aid generally and for Israel in particular. He did more than vote for aid; he persuaded other conservatives to do so as well.

As the senior Republican on the critical Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, which had jurisdiction over military and economic assistance for Israel, he demonstrated his friendship over and over. His name was attached to many of the key pro-Israel initiatives in Congress during the 1980s.

Later as George Bush's Secretary of Housing and Urban Development he proved to be a lonely friend of Israel. He was at the center of one of the more infamous moments in the US-Israel relationship when Secretary of State James Baker called him on the White House carpet for agreeing to meet his Israeli counterpart, Housing Minister Ariel Sharon, at HUD headquarters.

Kemp, who represented the Buffalo, NY, suburbs in the Congress from 1971 to 1989, was born and raised in the heavily-Jewish Fairfax area of Los Angeles. He was a prime sponsor of legislation to help Israel build the Lavi fighter jet. During the 1980s he developed a working relationship and friendship with the then-Israeli ambassador to Washington, Moshe Arens and his deputy chief of mission, Benjamin Netanyahu. Netanyahu was influenced by Kemp's economic views and

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some of that can be seen in the new Israeli leader's economic pronouncements. The two met again when the prime minister was in Washington recently.

**ECONOMICS** are the center of Kemp's agenda. He is a life-long conservative known for his advocacy of supply-side economics and massive tax cuts.

**Dole probably could not have chosen a more pro-Israel running mate**

something consistently scorned by deficit hawk Dole until just this month. That is just one of the topics on which the GOP presidential and vice presidential candidates disagree.

Known as a "bleeding heart conservative," Kemp has advocated more Republican outreach to the poor and minorities.

Kemp firms up Dole's standing on the right. Christian Coalition leader Ralph Reed warmly praised the Kemp as "pro-life and pro-family."

But at the same time, Kemp is well thought of in the African-American, Hispanic, Jewish and other minority communities where Dole is weak.

The Dole-Kemp relationship has never been close or warm. This week they entered into a marriage of convenience that may have been a desperation move for a candidate trailing the incumbent by more than 20 points. But it was a smart move because Kemp brings to an otherwise anemic campaign some sorely needed attributes: energy, charisma, imagination, compassion, per-

sonality and innovation.

Dole's aides were also touting another Kemp advantage: relative youth at 61. Clinton and Gore are generally considered to have the closest and friendliest relationship ever between a president and vice president. No one expects that to happen if Dole and Kemp are elected. The two are old and acerbic rivals; this year Kemp waited until late in the primary season to make any endorsement and then went with Dole's rival, Steve Forbes. But such pairings are not uncommon. John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson were effective running mates who did not like each other very much and were never close.

It remains to be seen how much influence Kemp will have with Dole. During the campaign Dole is taking a pro-Israel stance, as most candidates do, but the test will come when and if he gets to the White House.

In the previous Republican administration, vice president Dan Quayle had a pro-Israel reputation but no influence when it was needed. In that same Bush administration, Kemp tried to speak up for Israel but was ignored by the president and shot down by the secretary of state.

Dole probably could not have chosen a more pro-Israel running mate, but it remains to be seen whether that will be enough to swing a sizeable number of Jewish votes to the Republican ticket. Working against Kemp are Dole's own record, Clinton's reputation as possibly the most pro-Israel president ever, and the fact most Jews tend to vote Democratic.

The contest might be closer, and Jewish voters would be a lot more comfortable if the order on the ticket were reversed.

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## Rhetoric is not enough

**CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER**

**I**n a major speech last week at George Washington University, President Clinton called for strong new measures against terrorism, calling it the successor to Nazism and communism as the great scourge of our time. It was an admirable attempt to mobilize a country's will and resources to fight. But like all such attempts from Clinton and previous presidents, the rhetoric far outran the real measures proposed.

Clinton talked about working with allies, increasing intelligence-gathering, establishing FBI offices in far-flung capitals. He talked about the pious talk emanating from such anti-terrorism "summits" as Sharm el-Sheikh, at which countries that wink at terrorism denounced it at our behest for a day.

Most of the president's talk centered on passive measures hardening the national cocoon the way we have come to harden our homes against rampant street crime. He talked, for example, about increased airport security and chided Congress for refusing to give him increased wiretap authority against terrorists.

What is missing in all the rhetoric about terrorism is a readiness for active measures. We do a lot of detecting and defusing of terrorism. What is lacking is deterrence. All this effort with wiretapping, bomb-sniffing, intelligence-sharing is aimed at reducing the terrorists' ability to carry out their attacks. What we are not doing is diminishing their will to carry out the attacks.

That is deterrence. And deterrence requires the serious use of force against terrorists and their patrons. We have a pretty good idea who bombed Pan Am 103. Yet the killers are sitting safe in Libya, our puny sanctions notwithstanding.

What kind of message did that send to airline bombers? If we are going to deter future attacks like Pan Am 103 (and TWA Flight 800?), we must make clear that when we determine who did it and what country sponsored it, we will treat the crime as it was intended, as an act of war.

Declaring war does not mean that we send the marines ashore the next morning. It does mean that we commit ourselves to a sustained, unrelenting effort to destroy the regime that is making

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war on us through terrorism. Declaring war is first of all a declaration of national intent.

Second, declaring war has a psychological purpose. It tells the American people that terrorism is not domestic crime writ large but a form of war by other means. It is not a law enforcement problem where the model is extradition and trial, but war where the model is, in the immortal words of Gen. Colin Powell, to cut off the enemy and kill it.

Third, a declaration of war will make it a lot easier for the international lawyers and text-readers that abound in American government to countenance the forceful military measures required to actually deter state-sponsored terrorism. A declaration of war takes us from being the hand-tied victims of belligerency to acquiring the rights of a belligerent.

What rights? The right to impose on country X a naval blockade, for example. Instead of begging, cajoling or threatening third parties not to trade with our enemy, we simply say: "Sorry, we are in a state of war. Nothing goes in, nothing goes out. Our navy will make sure."

We would also enjoy the right to attack country X at our choosing. We have the capacity through our stealth weapons to turn out the lights of any capital on earth. If we discover that some capital was behind the destruction of TWA 800, we should do just that: Turn out the lights, blockade the harbors, declare that we will not rest until the regime has fallen and the terrorists and their sponsors have paid the price.

Declaring war is a serious step. But war has already been declared - by the terrorists. We can either continue pretending that it hasn't, or we can respond in kind. Moreover, when you call something the moral equivalent of Nazism and communism, as Clinton did, it is incumbent upon you to fight it with something more than wiretaps and bomb detectors.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### CONVERSIONS

Sir, - Rabbi Dr. Levison (Letters, July 19) is right to draw attention to the inconsistencies in the non-Liberal *batei din* when it comes to conversion. I, and most of my colleagues in Britain and Europe, could if we so wished testify in many cases where so-called "Orthodox" or "halachic" conversions have been obtained under various dubious means; on the whole, for the sake of *shalom bayit*, we have accepted them, but in some cases our patience is wearing thin.

On the one hand, one wishes to accept the concept of plurality and the validity of different approaches. We certainly do not wish to get drawn into the "I'm frummer than you" childish power-politics that distinguish many of the attitudes of our non-Liberal colleagues, and we see the pain and trauma caused to people who are suddenly told that they or their loved ones are not "Jewish enough" to be married, bar-mitzva, buried, etc. On the other hand, we believe in a Judaism with standards, with ethics, with prophetic values, and it pains us to see those values distorted and misused by the very people who then (possibly as a smokescreen) seek to deny the validity of our own approach.

### DISAPPOINTED

Sir, - Those in America who were repelled and revolted by the infamous Rabin-Arafat handshake on the White House lawn were doubly repelled and revolted when Foreign Minister David Levy shook the hand of the very same unrepentant terrorist in Gaza.

After the triumphant visit of the newly elected prime minister to the US and his speech to the Congress that was greeted with many standing ovations, Netanyahu had the Congress and people of the US in the palm of his hand. To an America reeling from Arab terrorism at home, in the air and overseas, the visitor from Israel seemed like a breath of fresh air, and a return to the old Israel that never compromised with terrorists, but spread no effort to hunt down and eliminate them. By sending his foreign minister to meet with Arafat, Netanyahu

In my own case, following three separate scandals in Leeds, where I had evidence that candidates for Orthodox conversion were being taught to lie, the last case culminating in one having an abortion so that she could maintain the fiction of converting *lishma*, I have reluctantly decided that I can no longer accept, without further evidence of religious knowledge and commitment, the conversion certificates issued by the London Beth Din. I stress that this is a personal rather than a "movement" decision, and it is a decision that got me into some conflict with my congregation, but until I receive evidence that this particular Beth Din, notorious throughout Europe for its intolerance, has actually reformed its procedures and standards, I cannot in good conscience continue to play the game that "their candidates are kosher whilst mine are not."

Somewhere in all this mess of politics and power, there has to be some room for God and Judaism. Those who seek to stir up *sinat chinam* should beware - there is many a pot who can call a kettle black.

**RABBI WALTER ROTHSCHILD**  
Leeds, England.

### SEXISM IN ADS

Sir, - Yossef Goell's article of July 30 "Mesmerized by dumbness," while expressing the negative feelings of many of us Israelis have toward intrusive TV advertisements, misses a crucial point - the obscenity of some of them. Almost all of the distasteful ads are the ones that are exploitative of women. They are crass, insulting and abusive. Such ads emphasize the secondary status of women in this country and give a certain force to the abuse of women which is far too prevalent here. One should boycott any product that is advertised in such an insensitive manner.

Yet Goell is right on target in one area: the apathy that seizes us and leads us not to protest these assaults on our intelligence and sensibilities is a sad reflection of a society that is dominated by chauvinism. We see this in our government, in the business sector, in the religious establishment and in the army.

Our TV's outright use of sexism to gain buyers for products should be unacceptable in an enlightened society and in a country that is supposed to consider itself "a light unto the nations."

**DAVID FORMAN**,  
Spokesperson,  
Rabbis for Human Rights  
Jerusalem.

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## Drop the waste of water

**ROGER KAYE**

imported Thai labor, and producing oranges for sale at NIS 3 a kilo in the supermarket. If we need oranges, we can buy them from Morocco or Spain. We certainly don't need fields of water-gob-

**If we need oranges, we can buy them from Morocco or Spain**

bling cotton to be sold at a loss. If we need cotton, our Egyptian neighbors will be pleased to oblige.

It is absurd to use precious water, nearly ten times that used by industry, to grow crops that have to be picked by cheap imported labor, only to be sold at a heavily subsidized loss. Agriculture should be confined to the few crops that really do pay their way.

In 1994, Israel's industrial exports, not including diamonds, came to \$11,500,000,000. Agricultural exports for this year came to a miserable \$591,000,000. The agricultural sector provided employment for a mere 3.3% of the registered civilian work force. And yet agriculture gets the lion's share of our water.

So what should we do with our water? We should use agricultural water - and land - to create more parks, more forests, more green recreational areas, which will benefit the entire population and

not serve just a privileged few.

Hi-tech irrigation systems, coupled with appropriate vegetation for our desert climate, can give us all-year-round greenery for far less water than fields of crops, which lie brown and empty for several months of the year.

Our hi-tech exports can pay somebody else to do the unskilled work of producing low-tech oranges. With export dollars we can buy all the food we want from countries with enough water and unskilled labor to make agriculture worthwhile. Let Turkey, with its vast land mass, overflowing water resources, and cheap unskilled work force, be our agricultural hinterland.

Of course, we should be dependent for our survival on our suppliers, but how long would we last if our oil and coal supplies were cut off? If we can't be really and truly self-sufficient, why should we believe that growing our own sunflower seeds will make any difference?

According to government predictions, if our use of water increases at the present rate, and no alternative source become available, demand will overtake supply in about 40 years. We cannot uproot all our orchards overnight, but we must start planning for the post-agricultural society as soon as possible. How we share out our water should not be a matter to be decided between a handful of government bodies, and a few interested parties, but should be the subject of lively public debate. Let those who earn the nation's bread help decide how to enjoy its water.

*The writer is a freelancer.*

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**Rhetoric is not enough**  
 CHARLES KRAUTHAMER

# Crowes fly back to '60s

IN TUNE  
 DAVID BRINN

Three Snakes and One Charm  
**THE BLACK CROWES**  
 (Hed Artzi)  
 Live at Budokan  
 BLUR (NMC)

ON the surface, The Black Crowes and Blur have absolutely nothing in common — southern-fried boogie vs. Brit guitar pop. However, the two bands share an extent that their records sound like products of another era.

If how a band sounded was the only criteria, the Black Crowes would have a good argument for being one of the best bands of the 1990s. With swagger and confidence tempered by subtlety and vulnerability, the group captures the essence of great rock 'n' roll as handed down from Dylan's *Blonde on Blonde* through the Rolling Stones' late Sixties period, and everything in between.

By incorporating blues and country stylings, the group stakes its claim as the heir apparent to the Band as the main purveyors of rock Americana.

Unfortunately, it doesn't have the songwriting to stand along the artists that inspired it.

That said, there's enough good material on its fourth album, *Three Snakes and One Charm*, to make this an appealing and commendable set.

In addition to the aforementioned sighting, you'll also hear traces of Little Feat, the Faces, Sly and the Family Stone and countless other classic bands of a bygone era in which the music was more important than the clothes.

The lead track, "Under a Mountain," a dense *Exile in Main Street*-sounding effort, sets the pace for a varied set. From the crisp, acoustic "Bring On Bring On" and "How Much for Your Wings" to the countrified blues of

"Good Friday," you see the Crowes expanding its references, challenging its limits and in the process creating a style that moves beyond the 1960s wannabes it's been pegged as being.

This feels like a transitional record for the Crowes, in which it's taking the legacy of its musical heroes and trying to develop a sound it can call its own, and we can call our own.

Crossing the ocean, we find Blur facing the same problems as the Black Crowes: a great delivery of ordinary material.

Without argument one of the top two or three bands in England, Blur's influence on British pop in the Nineties can't be understated. With its neo-mod 1960s meets 1970s glitter approach, it's influenced a host of bands to return to guitar rock.

Here, the band is captured on a 1995 tour of Japan in a live double CD, available in a limited-edition release.

All the hits are here, from "Popsene" to "Girls & Boys." Sparked by a sparkling horn section, the band works together beautifully on the 25 songs spanning its six-year career.

The *Ziggy Stardust*-era Bowie comparisons are as unavoidable as the Jam-doing-the Who and late Seventies punk influences are apparent.

But maybe, due to the sheer size of the collection or the underdeveloped songwriting, few tracks stand out.

Or maybe it was all said too well the first time around by Pete Townshend in 1965, Bowie in 1971 and Paul Weller in 1977.

**Peace Beyond Passion**  
**ME'SHELL NDEGECELLO**  
 (Hed Artzi)

Never has a record so devoted to prayer, spiritual fulfillment and salvation made the listener want



The Black Crowes' southern-fried boogie is reminiscent of bygone times when the music was more important than the clothes.

to sin like this one does. Seductive grooves and impeccable productions are only two highlights of Me'Shell Ndegecello's sophomore release.

Singer and bass player extraordinaire, Ndegecello scored a minor dance club hit three years ago with "If That's Your Boyfriend (He Wasn't Last Night)," a piece of funk so sassy it

threatened to sizzle. But her big breakthrough came a year later when John Mellencamp asked her to duet on the hit remake of the Van Morrison classic, "Wild Night."

Playing a brand of funky rock that can break off into melodic pop tunes and dance barn burners, Ndegecello slips in vocals devoted, in her own words, to "death,

living and questioning existence." I hate to harp on an issue here, but the delivery far surpasses the material here, too.

Aside from the infectious "Free My Heart" and the sweet "Mary Magdalene," the album is noteworthy for its fine musicianship and arrangements, and Ndegecello's obvious passion for her art.

# A brilliant achievement

THEATER REVIEW  
 NAOMI DOUDAI

HEFETZ

By Hanech Levin. Direction, Ilan Ronen. Design, Buki Schiff. Music, Eran Diner. Lighting, Felice Ross. The Cameri Theater at ZOA House, Tel Aviv. Simultaneous English translation, Dawn Nadel and Johanna Phillips.

Hefetz \_\_\_\_\_ Ya'akov Cohen  
 Teigalach \_\_\_\_\_ Yosef Carmon  
 Clemanses \_\_\_\_\_ Tikki Dayan  
 Shukra \_\_\_\_\_ Yonathan Tcherchi  
 Adash \_\_\_\_\_ Itzhak Heskia  
 Hanna \_\_\_\_\_ Merav Gruber

HEFETZ, Hebrew for "object," is the groveling underdog and scapegoat hero of what is possibly the most accomplished — if divisive — of Levin's family hells.

With its superb direction and incomparable acting, Cameri's revival of this crumbing 1972 satire is undoubtedly one of the most brilliant achievements in Hebrew theater of this, or of any season within memory.

Unpretentious, simplistic, clean-cut mise-en-scene, understated but effective lighting, dead-on costume wickedly bewigged design, minimal set (backcloth showing typical nosy Tel Aviv neighbors snooping from innumerable balconies) — all these add up to one of the highest attainments in Israeli theater ever.

All tribute must be paid to Ilan Ronen, whose consummate timing, choreography and original interpretation electrifies the production. (Unforgettable among the rest are his opening trio, adding the scissor scene, the wedding dress fiasco, the rollicking reversal of man-wife roles.)

Homage should also be paid to

the contribution of the main body of actors. On the lowest rung of this fenshish family hierarchy is Hefetz played with Chaplinesque poetry and pathos by that highly talented actor-mime, Ya'akov Cohen. Yonathan Tcherchi, Itzhak Heskia, and Merav Gruber, neighborhood wretches who join him in his wretchedness, give unforgettable portrayals too.

Menav Gruber as the wan waitress with the varicose veins and rosy dreams shows herself a promising new addition to the Levinesque menagerie.

With Tcherchi's verbal onslaughts on the audience that alternate with trash gathering, apple-munching silences, and the virtuosity of Heskia's hypochondriac body and facial language, these are among the historic highs of a range of towering performances.

Topping them are Tikki Dayan as the fruity Clemanses — "the metaphysical refined essence of Israeli motherhood" as someone called her — and Yossi Carmon, her downtrodden but impressive spouse.

As the morally crippled, money-glutted monster parents of Fogra (Karen Mor), athletic academic and arch-humiliator, it is their contempt for failure and appetite for "nachas" that drives the action in a duet that touches the classic heights of satirical comedy.

A far cry from these are the roles of Fogra and her savior-slave (Avi Termin). Wooden movers, with their sloppy, inarticulate diction they stand in feeble contrast to the rest of this inimitable cast.

# Germans on a mission to boycott Cruise movie

THE youth organization of German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's party called for a nationwide boycott of *Mission Impossible* on the opening night last Thursday because its star, Tom Cruise, is a Scientologist.

The call from the Christian Democratic Union Youth Organization came amid increased public condemnation of the Los Angeles-based Church of Scientology, which German critics claim has undemocratic aims.

Members of the Christian Democrats' youth organization said they would pass out flyers at theaters where the German-dubbed version of *Mission Impossible* is debuting to warn film-goers about the "dangerous wheeling and dealings of the Scientology organization."

But there were no pamphleteers outside the Berlin Zoo Palace Theater on opening night, and people who came to see the film appeared skeptical or indifferent to the boycott call.

"I personally am a Jehovah's Witness, and I know that people tell lies about us," said Andre Nugsch. "That's why I don't believe everything that's reported about the Scientologists."

Burkhard Remmers, head of the youth organization in Lower Saxony, said that the boycott was called to "fight the Scientology machinery," which he charged is intent on controlling German society.

Franz Riedl, a spokesman at Scientology's headquarters in Hamburg, said the boycott call was "a rebellion of midgets" and part of

politicians' attempts "to exploit Scientology's fame for their own careers."

Jazz pianist Chick Corea, who is a Scientologist, was barred from playing at state-sponsored concerts. Five US congressmen last month asked the State Department to discuss the treatment of American and German Scientologists with German officials.

Cruise was questioned by German reporters about his religious beliefs during a publicity tour last month, and the German actor who dubbed his voice for *Mission Impossible* has since sought to distance himself from the American actor.

In Germany, it has become a matter of general consensus that the Church of Scientology has aims that endanger democracy.

The church claims 30,000 members in Germany, denies it has any political aims and accuses the government of conducting a campaign of persecution.

Scientists have been banned from all major political parties and many trade organizations in Germany.

In January, the federal government's family minister launched a campaign to warn the public against Scientology.

Scientology, which views the individual, rather than a supreme god, as the spiritual being, is recognized in 62 countries as a legitimate religion.

But its status in Germany has not been decided because none of the many legal disputes connected with it have reached the constitutional court. (AP)

# Davia puts the theater back into opera

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

AS youngsters from France, Mexico, the US and Israel sat in a semicircle, a 60-year-old Italian with a gold cross on his neck preached to them. They were not in Rome but in Tel Aviv.

The person in the center, with his grayish hair and small beard, was trying to show these young and enthusiastic disciples how to put on a mask without losing their personalities, how to go on stage and how to impersonate someone else while remaining themselves. They all listened very quietly, yet each in turn questioned, argued and asked for advice. At one point, in order to tell a young Russian-born Israeli bass how he should act onstage, Federico Davia tells Denis Sedov, "Figaro in this opera is a *ben zona*," and finally the message gets through. He even adds, "sometimes I hit you on purpose because I want a reaction."

Davia, an Italian-born opera singer and

director who now makes his life in London is a great believer in the theatricality of opera. Trained in the basic theatrical techniques of Stanislavsky and the more contemporary ones of Grotowski, he tries to transmit his vast knowledge and experience to the participants of the Israel Vocal Arts Institute opera program, where he directs Mozart's timeless masterpiece *Le Nozze di Figaro*.

Davia started singing on the opera stage close to four decades ago and several years into his career he began directing as well. "It's less of an effort to sing opera," he says at the end of the *Figaro* rehearsal. "A director has to take care of everything; it's a continuous job. But that's the fascination of the job as well."

Davia does not intend to give up singing for the time being, in spite of his very active directing and teaching career. He already has

an impressive gallery of 182 opera roles to his credit from the bigger ones like Boris Godunov and Don Giovanni to smaller ones, encompassing the entire gamut of styles and periods "from the first opera ever written, *Euridice* by Peri in the 1600s, to the works of Luigi Nono."

But after three bypass operations he allows himself to go on stage only for small roles these days. "Big roles are too much of an effort now and I don't want to lose the theater and the stage. So I stick to character roles."

Davia is about to move to the US from his beloved London which he misses whenever he is away.

"I'm teaching monthly courses of interpretation and style in Los Angeles, Chicago and New York and I always wanted to work at the Actors' Studio in New York."

*Figaro* is an opera about young people which makes it perfect for the current summer program, yet at the same time it is probably "one of the toughest operas to direct. But I like the reality of this piece. The situations are real. In fact it is an opera that would be great on film because then you can have simultaneous triple action and show what happens with some characters when others are singing."

Davia has directed some of the IVAT's greatest hits in past years like *Don Pasquale* two years ago and *Don Giovanni* last summer.

Tonight at the Israel Music Conservatory in Tel Aviv, opera buffs will be able to enjoy his *Figaro* with an almost dream cast featuring real-life lovers Nora Amshellem and Sedov as Susanna and Figaro, Larisa Tanuev as the countess as well as many other young and talented singers.

# Stunning Russians make their mark

CONCERT ROUNDUP

THE first three opera productions of this summer's Israel Vocal Arts Institute program, together with the gala concert, presented some fine singers. Most of the cast of Tchaikovsky's charming *Iolanta* were immigrants from the former Soviet Union.

Victor Kotick sang his best role to date in Israel as Duke Robert, while Boris Karbet was an impressive King Rene in this medieval tale about a blind princess.

Marina Shemesh in the lead showcased a fine soprano while Evgeny Shapovalov displayed his regular big tenor in a most impressive manner.

There were great performances from the entire cast led by the incomparable Mignon Dunn in the lead. Hila Pitman as her daughter was touching, and Yaniv Streifer as the mute Toby was very convincing.

All in all these were four evenings of operatic devotion and magic, of sheer musical beauty and energy with youth and vivacity.

Israel Music Conservatory, Noga Theater, August 7-11  
 Michael Ajzenstadt

WHEN RUSSIAN born soprano Ljuba Kazarmovskaya committed suicide as the slave Liu from Puccini's *Turandot* there was not a dry eye in the house.

Kazarmovskaya has a wonderful voice. After *Turandot* came the final moment of another dying heroine, Manon Lescaut. And again she was stunning.

Kazarmovskaya was accompanied by Joan Domemann who played at the piano was much more than mere accompaniment and provided all the necessary colors to go with the soprano's lush voice.

Enav Centre, August 5  
 Michael Ajzenstadt

TO CELEBRATE the restoration of the Dormition Abbey's organ, Elizabeth Roloff presented a recital consisting of works by Bach and Charles-Marie Widor. The rendition of Bach's Toccata and Fugue BV 540 was a masterpiece of contrapuntal transparency.

In Bach's Choral Variations *O Gott, Du frommer Gott* the organist endeavored to find sin-

# Jazz still afloat in Eilat after 10 years

HELEN KAYE

FASCINATING rhythm and then some is the name of the game at the 10th Red Sea Jazz Festival August 26 to 29, in Eilat, with Judith Ravitz singing jazz versions of her most famous songs.

Ten years ago sax great Michael Brecker played at the inaugural festival and his trumpeter brother Randy performed the following year. This year the Brecker Brothers are back for the anniversary along with nine other great artists who have all played at the Festival over the years.

They include the George Coleman Quartet (1990) with Coleman and his fluid tenor sax, the young UK wonder Courtney Pine (1989) combining jazz with reggae and world music, French violin whizz Didier Lockwood and ensemble (1991), the Phil Woods Quintet (1988), the Elvin Jones Jazz Machine (1990) — Jones played with John Coltrane for five years on drums — and the Preservation Hall Jazz Band with the authentic New Orleans sound.

And there's one newcomer, the Dee Dee Bridgewater Quartet, which makes its festival debut. Bridgewater, a jazz singer with

strong Gospel roots, first sang here with the Israeli Philharmonic in 1994. Israeli jazz artists set to play include festival director Dani Gontfried on piano, drummer Arale Kaminsky and saxophonist Albert Piamenta in ensemble or with their own groups.

There's also clarinetist Harold Rubin, whose Zaviot quartet won the Most Original Group award in 1987. Gilad Atzmon's Spiel Acid Jazz Band, the incredibly gifted Minuette with Nitzan Ein Habar on saxophone, the Ganelin Trio and Platina, those wizards of the 70s, who've combined old and new tunes especially for this Festival.

Of course there will be the after-hours jam sessions around the Riviera Hotel pool and master classes with Lockwood, Pine, Woods and Jones for those who want to explore deeper into the genre.

Tickets range from NIS 39 to NIS 99 per concert depending on the package you choose.

The usual deals and discounts are available, including the Goldenjazz card for NIS 499 which entitles the holder to go to every concert in the festival.

# The sweetness of 'Angels'

DANCE REVIEW  
 DORA SOWDEN

ALL the charms of the Korean children who appeared at the "Little Angels" at the National Convention Hall in Jerusalem (August 10) came from the direct simplicity of their approach to dance and music. Grace there was but sophistication was avoided in their well-schooled moves. At the end they sang Israeli songs with a clear-voiced, unforced manner that delighted the audience.

They wore their costumes without self-consciousness as they manipulated their fans with a skill that was wholly beautiful. Even as they beat drums and waved tambourines they moved with tiny steps that made them float. They were exceptional, from the way they bowed, with a natural attractiveness that accompanied their youth and skill.

# TOWER RECORDS' TOP 15

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#6	5	SHLOMO ARTZI	TWO
#7	8	GEORGE MICHAEL	OLDER
#8	14	FLIGES	THE SCORE
#9	9	ARKADI DUCHIN	ARKADI DUCHIN
#10	15	RAMI KIJENSTEIN	APPLES & DATES
#11	22	VIA	MAKE LOVE NOT WAR
#12	10	CARRAPICHO	FIESTA DE BOI BOMBA
#13	21	TEA PACKS	YOUR LIE IN LAFFA
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Tower Records' top-selling albums for last week

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# BUSINESS & FINANCE

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## Kemp to Israel: Soros: No comment on End aid dependence rumors of IDB deal

DAVID HARRIS

JACK Kemp, the newly appointed running mate of US Republican Presidential candidate Bob Dole, last month called Israel to end its reliance on foreign aid.

"By investing its own material resources back into Israeli individuals, families and businesses, the government can eventually end its dependence on foreign aid, foster economic growth, and guarantee Israelis their own freedom and independence," he wrote in the introduction to a paper by the Jerusalem-based Institute for Advanced Strategic and Political Studies.

During his visit to the US last month, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu received resounding approval when he announced, in a speech to members of both Houses, his four-year goal of phasing out an annual \$1.2 billion of non-military US economic aid.

"There can be no greater tribute to America's long-standing economic aid to Israel than for us to be able to

say: 'We are going to achieve economic independence,'" Netanyahu told senators and congressmen.

In his four page forward, Kemp does not say the US should actively begin cutting aid to Israel, but one former Israeli diplomat in Washington said last month that Netanyahu's speech preempted such a move.

In the article, Kemp says the economic status quo in Israel comprises intrusive tax policies, government protection of monopolies and cartels, and the need to bail out "bankrupt socialist institutions."

The outcome of the May elections brought about a positive opportunity for thorough economic reform, according to Kemp.

"The solution is to unleash the productive energies and genius of the Israeli people in order to build a robust domestic economy that will make it possible to eliminate the counter-productive dependence on foreign aid," writes Kemp.

IDB Holding Corporation's shares yesterday jumped 10 percent, the maximal daily fluctuation allowed on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, amid rumors that American investment magnate George Soros is buying into the company, and that industrialist Stef Wertheimer is negotiating to sell his stake in IDB, one of Israel's seven largest holding companies.

Soros's New York headquarters refused to comment on the rumors.

Capital-market sources said trading was influenced by rumors that Wertheimer is negotiating to sell his stock back to the Recanat family, the company's controlling shareholders. There are other reports that Wertheimer is negotiating to sell his shares directly to Soros.

In the past, Soros expressed an interest in participating in the government's tender to purchase a 20%-25% stake in Bank Hapoalim as part of the Claridge-Arison consortium.

Wertheimer was not available for comment, while sources in

GALIT LIPKIS BECK

IDB said they did not know whether there was any truth to the rumors. Eli Cohen, general manager of the company, is overseas.

Wertheimer's rumored attempts to sell his IDB shares are widely seen as connected to Bank Leumi's tender to sell the Africa Israel holding company. Among the contenders in that tender are Stef Wertheimer's son, Eitan, in partnership with contractor Moti Zisser.

Sources close to the sale said Zisser and Wertheimer tendered the highest bid, NIS180m., for Bank Leumi's 25% stake in Africa Israel.

Last week, the group acquired a joint share holding in Africa Israel in an attempt to increase their chances of winning the tender.

So far, the Zisser-Wertheimer group is reported to have invested a total of NIS 122m., giving it 6.9% of the company's shareholders' equity, and 5.4% of its voting rights.

Wertheimer, who is the controlling shareholder in Iscar, the Tefen-based machine-tool maker, went on a shopping spree for IDB shares several months ago, increasing his share in the company to about 16%.

Analysts estimate Wertheimer purchased the shares in the hope of eventually increasing his stake in IDB to 25%, a move which would have enhanced Wertheimer's reported objective to force Discount Investments, a subsidiary of IDB Holdings, to sell its shares in his company.

Discount Investments, which has a 25% stake in Iscar, had previously induced Wertheimer, through a court ruling, to publicize the highly profitable Iscar's balance sheets.

Discount Investments' general manager Dov Tadmor is overseas and could not be reached for comment.

A spokesperson for the company said no one at Discount Investments knows who is behind the heavy trading in IDB Holdings shares.

### BUSINESS BRIEFS

Israel to enter Eurobond market: A signing ceremony will be held next month to launch Israel's entry into the Eurobond market. The \$750 million, three-year program allows for bonds to be issued on international markets with interest and principal payments due in the currency in which the bonds are issued. The government intends to sell \$250m. worth at the end of the year.

Last December, Israel sold its first Yankee bonds in the US, raising \$250m. through the bonds, which are debt securities sold by foreign borrowers to investors in the US.

Denying media reports, Finance Ministry spokesman Eli Yosef said last night Israel has no intention of directly tapping Asian markets at a later date.

David Harris

Sharansky wants immigrants integrated into economy: Industry and Trade Minister Natan Sharansky has stressed his intention to speed up the integration of immigrants into the economy in recent meetings with senior ministry officials. The ministry is now weighing its priorities for the coming months. The retail trade deficit, the advancement of technological industries, foreign investments, small businesses and bilateral trade agreements will all feature prominently on the list, Sharansky said on Sunday.

David Harris

Galilee industrial park put on hold: Approval for construction of the Western Galilee industrial area was put on hold last week, pending a review by Interior Minister Eli Suissa. The move follows a recommendation by the Planning Administration not to allow its construction.

Local Arabs and Jews say the 1,000-dunam site, south of Kibbutz Kabri, is directly above natural springs and an underground reservoir which are the main sources of water for the region. There are also 27 springs within a four-kilometer radius of the planned site.

Former interior minister MK Haim Ramon (Labor) gave his approval for the industrial zone two days before the elections this past May.

David Harris

## July trade deficit \$870m.

Jerusalem Post Staff

JULY'S trade deficit stood at \$870 million, the Central Bureau of Statistics said yesterday.

The figure in July last year was \$867.4m. Imports last month totaled \$2.55 billion, while exports were \$1.68b.

In the first seven months of the year the deficit reached \$6.4b., with \$17.4b. in imports and \$11b. in exports. In the same period last year the trade deficit totaled \$5.76b.

Since February (excluding diamonds and fuel), imports have stayed stable, with exports rising by 0.3 percent monthly, representing an annual growth of 4% to 5%. As a result of these two factors, there has been an average monthly reduction in the trade deficit of 0.5%, or an annual rate of 5% to 6%.

The breakdown of the July figures shows imports comprised raw materials (47%), diamonds and fuel (23%), machinery, equipment and commercial vehicles (17%), and consumer goods (13%).

Of the \$1.68b. in exports, two-thirds was industrial, with polished diamonds comprising 31% and agricultural produce 2%.

A 3% increase has been posted in agricultural exports since the current season began in October last year. In that time exports reached \$743m. compared with \$720m. in the same period in the previous season.



Passengers hang over a train passing Jahanabad in India's Bihar state. The country, with 63,000 km of tracks, has the world's largest rail network, but can't meet demands of its growing population. (Reuters)

## Six new settlements to be built in the Negev

DAVID HARRIS

SIX new settlements are to be built in the Negev, Deputy Housing Minister Meir Porush announced yesterday.

Locations and timetables have not yet been determined, but several hundred families will live in each community, according to ministry spokesman Amit Dobkin.

The settlements will be semi-urban, semi-rural, with some job opportunities created on site.

Last week, Porush's adviser Shimon Einstein took representatives of several interested organizations on a jeep tour of the Negev to discuss possible locations.

Those who participated included representatives from Gush Emunim, the Beduin community, the United Kibbutz Movement and the Green Patrol.

National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon said he will give the scheme his full support.

Further details are expected to be revealed next week when a charter for the settlements will be signed by Porush together with a number of representatives of the various organizations.

## Dead Sea Bromine profit up 70%

GALIT LIPKIS BECK and JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

THE Dead Sea Bromine Company yesterday reported a 70 percent jump in net profits for the second quarter of 1996, to NIS 27.7 million compared with NIS 16m. in the corresponding period last year.

Net profit for the first half of 1996 reached NIS 47m., up 56.6% compared with the NIS 30m. reported in the first six months of the previous year.

Dead Sea Bromine general manager Asher Greenbaum said the company achieved higher earnings despite the downward trend in commodity prices and moderation in sales on world markets. He said the company was forced to lower prices for some of its products and implement a cost-saving plan.

Sales in the second quarter increased to NIS 375.86m. from NIS 331.34m. in the same period last year. Sales in the first half reached NIS 743m. compared to NIS 635.87m.

In the second quarter, operating profit increased to NIS 42m. from NIS 33m. Operating profit in the first six months of the year reached NIS 72m. compared to NIS 57m.

Industrial Buildings, a subsidiary of the Jerusalem Economic Corp. and Bank Hapoalim, announced a second quarter net

profit of NIS 15.1m. compared to a net profit of NIS 13.29m. in the corresponding quarter in 1995.

In the first six months of the year the company's net profits reached NIS 23m. compared to NIS 22m. for the same period last year.

Industrial Buildings is engaged in construction and management of office buildings all over the country.

Merhav Building Materials and Ceramics, a subsidiary of Koor Industries, reported a sharp drop in net profits for the second quarter of 1996, mainly due to the slowdown in the construction market.

The manufacturer of bathroom fixtures and ceramic and mosaic tiles announced a net profit of NIS 0.3m. in the second quarter compared to NIS 1.6m. in the corresponding period last year.

Management said the weakness in the construction market in April-May significantly reduced sales and led to a decrease in the company's production.

Sales in the second quarter fell to NIS 42m. compared to NIS 48.2m. Sales in the first six months of the year reached NIS 90.2m. compared to NIS 93.7m.

Mehadrin, the citrus marketing company, reported a net profit of NIS 10.13m. in the second quarter of 1996 compared to a net profit of NIS 7.1m. in the corresponding period last year. Net profits in the first half of the year grew to NIS 27.15m. compared to NIS 18.82m.

Tadiran Consumer Products, a subsidiary of Tadiran, completed the second quarter of 1996 with a net profit of NIS 5.98m. compared to a net profit of NIS 7.76m. in the second quarter last year. Net profits in the first six months of the year rose to NIS 6.46m. compared to NIS 6.09m.

Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. reported a 50 percent increase in second-quarter net income to \$2.62 million from \$1.75m. in the corresponding period one year ago. Revenues were up 27.7% to \$12.5m. compared to same period in 1995.

Sapiens International came out of the red in the second quarter of 1996 with net income totalling \$157,000 compared to a net loss of \$2.28 million in the same quarter last year. Revenues for the period were up slightly to \$9.38m. compared to \$9.31m. in the second quarter of 1995.

Sapiens develops, markets and

## Bosch considering investments here

THE German car-parts manufacturer Robert Bosch GmbH is sending a delegation to consider joint research and development work with Israeli universities and the Armaments Development Authority (Rafael), the Industry and Trade Ministry confirmed this week.

The visit, which is scheduled for early September, follows a private trip to Israel by a senior Bosch executive.

The Ministry's Center for Business Promotion, which is organizing the visit, said while no contracts are expected to be signed, there is hope it will lead to something positive.

Jerusalem Post Staff

## Barney's gets extension on reorganization plan

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Barney's Inc. said yesterday it won 90 days of breathing room from a federal bankruptcy court, which granted the upscale men's retailer more time to file a plan of reorganization.

The development puts off for now an attempt by Saks Holdings Inc., the owner of Saks Fifth Avenue, and Barney's business partner, Isetan Co. Ltd., to file a competing plan to reorganize Barney's, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in January.

The court extended Barney's exclusive right to file such a plan until November 5, and also extended, until January 6, 1997, Barney's exclusive right to solicit acceptances for its plan.

Isetan and Saks had been considering filing a plan to take Barney's out of bankruptcy by giving Saks control of the retailer.

Barney's last month said it was "outraged" by that idea, saying Isetan was interfering with its own discussions with Saks as a potential investor.

## London Underground strike called off

LONDON (Reuters) - Train drivers on the London Underground have called off a 24-hour strike planned for today, a senior union official said.

The move was the first indication of an end to a damaging series of 24-hour strikes by the ASLEF and RMT unions that has paralyzed the capital's "tube" system several times in recent months and brought misery to its 1.6 million daily users.

But while Aslef said it was recommending its members accept a new London Underground management pay and conditions offer, RMT said was urging its drivers to say no.

"The official strike on the London Underground has been suspended as rail unions ASLEF and RMT hold a referendum of drivers on the company's latest proposal to settle the dispute," ASLEF said.

Lew Adams, General Secretary of ASLEF, said the new offer, which includes a phased reduction of the working week to 35 hours from 38.5 over the next three years was "a major achievement for our trade union and the members we represent."

But RMT told its members to reject the offer, saying the price of a cut in the working week was too high because drivers would have to accept pay rises below the rate of inflation.

## Chirac 'rift' may do central bank little harm

PARIS (Reuters) - An apparent rift between French President Jacques Chirac and Bank of France Governor Jean-Claude Trichet smacks of political posturing which, if anything, reinforces the Bank of France's credibility, analysts said.

French commentators say a government decision to seek legal proceedings against ex-directors of the troubled state-owned Credit Lyonnais bank was in part an attempt to destabilize Trichet, who was Treasury head when Lyonnais got into difficulty.

The franc fell to its lowest level since March 26 last Friday, partly on concerns that Trichet's cautious policy on interest rates and stout defence of the franc, known as the franc fort (strong franc) policy, could be undermined.

"It's reasonably clear they're probably not the best of friends and it's also obvious that Chirac is disappointed in terms of what's going on with the economy," said Darren Williams, UBS senior European economist.

"But I'm not sure this signals a deliberate attempt to unseat Trichet," he said.

Valerie Plagnol, economist at Credit Commercial de France said, "I don't think Credit Lyonnais is aimed at Trichet."

As Treasury head, Trichet was responsible for supervising state banks when Credit Lyonnais, whose chairman Jean-Yves Haberer was appointed by the former Socialist government in 1988, started to report huge losses.

She said it was more likely the probe had been instigated to present the tax-paying public with a scapegoat for the bank's losses at a time the government is trying to push through a costly rescue, having called on state funds twice already.

Others were quick to say the government could only gain from deflecting attention to a bank whose members were the former Socialist government when the current ruling coalition is rained in inquiries into party funding and housing scandals.

Economists said if continued franc weakness became a serious problem for the government and the central bank were forced to defend the currency, the French government would be more likely to lean on the German government than Trichet.

"I find it difficult to believe the government would pressure the Bank of France in this way, they have much more effective ways of getting lower rates. The threat of [French franc] devaluation is more worrying to Germany," Plagnol said.

Nick Stephens at Credit Lyonnais Rouse said, "The wild card is that the more pressure put on the French franc the greater the chance of a Buba [German central bank] cut."

Stephens also said the key factor was whether a rift between Chirac and Trichet would actually hinder progress toward European monetary union.

"[Prime Minister Alain] Juppe and the authorities are doing all they can to make it go ahead," Stephens said.

Last week Juppe reaffirmed the government's commitment to getting the French budget deficit down to 3 percent of gross domestic product by the end of 1997.

Economists said the problem facing the government was that looser monetary policy had not yet produced an economic rebound at a time it was pushing ahead with unpopular spending cuts to hit Maastricht budget deficit criteria.

"The government hasn't had a pay-off in terms of growth," said Williams.

Plagnol said it was not surprising the independent Bank of France was coming under pressure from politicians and industrialists alike, all looking for a scapegoat.

"It's the role of a government with a weak economy and tight fiscal policies to put pressure on an independent central bank to move to monetary loosening," she said.

### ISRAEL MONEY MARKETS

Patah (foreign currency deposit rates) (29.7.96)			
Currency (deposit for)	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	12 MONTHS
U.S. dollar (\$250,000)	4.750	4.875	5.375
Pound sterling (£100,000)	3.875	4.000	4.125
German mark (DM 200,000)	1.750	1.875	2.250
Swiss franc (SF 200,000)	1.000	1.125	1.500
Yen (10 million yen)			

  

Shekel Foreign Exchange Rates* (12.8.96)					
CURRENCY BASKET	CHECKS AND TRANSFERS		BANKNOTES		Rep.
	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	
U.S. dollar	3.5129	3.5996			3.5992
German mark	3.1151	3.1854	3.09	3.21	3.1400
Pound sterling	2.1132	2.1473	2.07	2.18	2.1287
French franc	4.8305	4.9068	4.74	4.88	4.8861
Japanese yen (100)	0.8174	0.8274	0.80	0.84	0.8217
Dutch florin	2.8913	2.9380	2.84	2.94	2.9113
Swiss franc	1.8825	1.9130	1.85	1.94	1.8948
Swedish krona	2.6957	2.7378	2.55	2.64	2.6133
Norwegian krona	0.4850	0.4788	0.48	0.49	0.4714
Danish krona	0.4673	0.4682	0.47	0.51	0.4915
Finland mark	0.5481	0.5550	0.53	0.57	0.5498
Canadian dollar	0.67018	0.7130	0.68	0.73	0.7084
Australian dollar	2.2717	2.4000	2.38	2.50	2.4418
S. African rand	2.4218	2.5084	2.23	2.35	2.2889
Belgian franc (10)	0.8880	0.8991	0.82	0.70	0.8533
Austrian schilling (10)	1.0245	1.0411	1.00	1.06	1.0515
Italian lire (1000)	3.0034	3.0519	2.95	3.10	3.0227
Jordanian dinar	2.0486	2.0827	2.01	2.12	2.0895
Egyptian pound	4.3300	4.8300	4.33	4.63	4.5059
EU	0.8800	0.9000	0.88	0.98	0.9558
Irish punt	3.9647	5.1016	4.33	5.18	3.9508
Spanish peseta (100)	2.4795	2.5195	2.43	2.56	2.4953

\*These rates vary according to bank. \*\*Bank of Israel.  
SOURCE: BANK LEUMI

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Key Representative Rates
US dollar ... NIS 3.1400 -0.13%
Sterling ... NIS 4.8661 -0.21%
Mark ... NIS 2.1267 +0.17%

NEW YORK STOCK MARKETS

New York market indexes
DJ Industrials Last Change
DJ Transport 2087.47 +3.25

NYSE stocks
NYSE 11715.00 -0.3
NASDAQ 10656.00 -0.1

Other stock market indexes
FTSE 100 Last Change
Tokyo Nikkei average 20893.8 +111.6

Israeli stocks in NY
NYSE / AMEX Last Change
Amal Papi 37.76 -1.13

Commercial Banks
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Bank Leumi 17715.00 -0.3

Mortgage Banks & Finance
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Axiom 369.00 -0.5

Financial Institutions
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Bank Leumi 17715.00 -0.3

Trade & Services
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Bank Leumi 17715.00 -0.3

Libor rates
Last Change
3 months 5.5 0

Foreign financial data courtesy of CommStock Trading Ltd.

US commodities
Last Change
Cocoa (Sept) 118.5 +0.2

London commodities
Last Change
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Spot market metals (US)
Last Change
Gold 387.75 +0

New York metal futures
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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Multi-sided trading
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Bank Leumi 17715.00 -0.3

Two-sided trading
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Investment Companies
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Shares down 2nd straight day

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

Two-Sided index
Maof Index
175.27 -0.76%
184.81 -0.77%

STOCKS dropped for a second day as relatively high interest rates deterred investors from buying stocks.

Analysts said investors are ignoring evidence that local stocks are undervalued.

"The market is witnessing a weird phenomenon, a series of offers (for companies) at higher than the market prices," said Eran Goren, portfolio manager at Zaner Securities.

He pointed to above-market valuations placed on companies like foods producer Osem, Migdal Insurance, and leasing concern Pryon, as other firms bid for their shares.

These transactions "are better proof than research or price-to-earnings ratios," Goren said.

Individual investors "are the latest to join the party and latest to leave," Goren said.

The Two-Sided index dropped 0.76% to 175.27, preliminary figures showed, while the Maof index eased 0.77% to 184.81.

The most active issues was IDB Holdings, up 10%, the daily limit, on NIS 3.3 million (\$1.1m.) of shares traded.

Goren said investors were speculating that Iscar head Stef Wertheimer had sold his investment in IDB, possibly to George Soros.

Also up the daily limit was Piryon-Trust, a holding company controlled by the Shoul Eisenberg, which offered yesterday to pay 35% above the market price for the 49.9% of Piryon it didn't already own.

Shares under tobacco cloud, French franc down

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuters) - A legal setback for the tobacco industry provided a rare spark of stock market activity yesterday, prompting a fall in key share indexes in London and New York in otherwise quiet summer trading.

The French franc, hit last week by concern over European monetary union and speculation about a rift between the government and the Bank of France, slipped against the mark in late trading after holding fairly steady for much of the day.

In sleepy, holiday-thinned currency business, the dollar also weakened a little as traders took profits.

A sharp fall in shares of tobacco groups BAT and Philip Morris was a major influence behind a drop in the London and New York stock markets.

"There's a lot of concern about BAT but that's about all that's going on today," one London trader said. "The big volume is in just a few stocks."

Tobacco shares came under pressure in New York on Friday after news of a Florida verdict in favor of a smoker who sued tobacco group BAT's subsidiary Brown & Williamson for damages - raising fears of more costly judgments for the industry.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 32.18 to 5,681.31 on Friday and the barometer of US blue-chip share prices fell a similar amount in morning trading yesterday.

London's stock market, Europe's biggest, ended lower under the impact of several leading shares being quoted their ex-dividend payments, the sharp drop in BAT and weakness on Wall Street - but above its lows.

"The market is proving to be resilient but there's no volume behind it," said one London trader.

Support came from higher bond prices after news that prices at British factory gates - a key inflation indicator - fell 0.1 percent in July, the third successive monthly dip.

data, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 23.67 points to close at 5,704.99.

In the broader market, advancing issues outpaced decliners by a narrow 6-5 margin in light New York Stock Exchange volume of about 314 million shares.

CURRENCY CROSS-RATES

Currency cross-rates table with columns for MARK, STERLING, YEN, SFR, FFR.

INTERNATIONAL STOCK PRICES

Large table of international stock prices with columns for Name, Price, % Chg, Name, Price, % Chg, Name, Price, % Chg.

LONDON

Table of London stock prices.

PARIS

Table of Paris stock prices.

FRANKFURT

Table of Frankfurt stock prices.

MARKET

Table of market data.

NEW YORK

Table of New York stock prices.

Second Test ends in draw

LEEDS (Reuters) - Pakistan maintained its 1-0 series lead over England as the second cricket Test ended in a draw at Headingley yesterday. Pakistan eventually reached 242 for seven declared with Inzamam-ul-Haq calming the tourists' morning nerves with a hard-hit 65. At 34 for two and then again at 142 for four - which was an overall lead of just 89 - England had faint hopes of pulling off a win, but Ijaz Ahmed (52) and Asif Mujtaba (26) snuffed them out. Mike Atherton, the England captain, helped to pass the last half hour by unveiling his leg breaks for the first time in a Test since 1991. To his joy he won an lbw verdict against close friend and opposite number Wasim Akram with his 14th delivery. England now go to the final Test at the Oval next week needing to win it to level the three-match series. Before lunch, opener Shadab Kabir went for two, caught and bowled by Chris Lewis, and Saad Anwar was caught behind off the bowling of Dominic Cork for 22. Then Inzamam and Ijaz, a century-maker in the first innings, joined forces to put on 98 together

and steer their side towards safety. Although three more wickets fell in the afternoon session, Ijaz stood firm until any perceived crisis was past. In the closing exchanges Atherton and Graham Thorpe formed an unlikely bowling attack as England's four pacemen were forced to called it a day. Atherton, who had a Test bowling average of 282 coming into the match, claimed Wasim's wicket for seven to finish with one for 20 from seven overs. "I came on to bowl thinking I might get my average over the 300 mark but Wasim spoiled the script," joked Atherton. "I think Wasim read it as a googly." Wasim said: "I have got him out enough times but I'm going to have to live with this for a few years now he's got me once." England are quoted by bookmakers at 7-2 to win the third Test with Pakistan at 13-8 and a draw the favorite at 10-11. Atherton denied rumors of a rift between himself and Yorkshire fast bowler Darren Gough, who was surprisingly overlooked for the Headingley test on his home ground. Gough, who will face Atherton

today in the Old Trafford NatWest semifinal between Lancashire and Yorkshire, has only one opportunity in the last Test to force his way back before the selectors choose the squads for the tour to Zimbabwe and New Zealand. Atherton said he and Gough got on fine. "You have to remember I am just one of five selectors and he is well regarded," the captain said. "We went for Andy Caddick in this Test because we were hoping it would seam about a bit." Pakistan first innings 448 (Ijaz Ahmed 141, Moin Khan 105, Saad Anwar 65, Asif Mujtaba 51) England first innings 501 (A. Stewart 170, N. Knight 114, D. Crowley 58) Pakistan second innings Saad Anwar c Russell b Cork 22 Shadab Kabir c and b Lewis 52 Ijaz Ahmed c Russell b Caddick 52 Inzamam-ul-Haq c Stewart b Caddick 65 Saad Anwar c Cork b Caddick 6 Asif Mujtaba run out 26 Wasim Akram b Atherton 7 Moin Khan not out 30 Mushfiqur Rehman not out 26 Extras (4-4-12-0-10) 242 Total for seven wickets declared 242 Fall of wickets: 1-16-24 2-32 4-142 5-188 6-201 7-21 8-21 Bowling: Muttiah Muralidharan 15-2-43-0, Lewis 16-3-52-1, Caddick 17-4-53-3, Cork 16-2-49-1, Thorpe 10-3-10-0, Atherton 7-1-20-1. Result - match drawn First Test (Leeds) - Pakistan won by 164 runs Third Test - The Oval, August 22-28. Pakistan leads 1-0 in the three-match series



HIGH FIVES - England's Dominic Cork (back to camera) gets a warm reception from Nick Knight (l) and Graham Thorpe (r) after taking the wicket of Pakistan's Saad Anwar (c) during play yesterday. (Reuters)

Last wicket pair deny Leics

LONDON (Reuters) - Glamorgan's last wicket pair of Colin Metson and Neil Kendrick survived the final eight deliveries at Swansea to thwart Leicestershire's attempt to go back to the top of the English county championship table yesterday. Set to score 335, Glamorgan finished on 299 for nine, a position that seemed way beyond them when they looked like having to follow on on Friday evening. They at least avoided that indignity, but with the wicket taking spin and Leicestershire having three slow bowlers in their ranks the away side appeared to hold the initiative. But a century from Hugh Morris and some solid support from Matthew Maynard and Otis Gibson tilted the balance before Darren Thomas became the seventh wicket to fall with the total on 280. Morris reached his fourth first class century of the season off 189

balls in 226 minutes with 17 boundaries before falling leg before to Adrian Pierson for 106. The dismissal of Gibson, bowled by Greg MacMillan for 42, left Metson and Kendrick in charge of Glamorgan's fate. In spite of up to nine fielders around the bat, the Welsh side survived for their three bonus points. England Test reject Devon Malcolm, who now boasts 61 championship wickets this season, claimed impressive match figures of 10 for 215. He followed his first innings haul of five for 119 with another five for 96 as Sussex, chasing a target of 276, were dismissed for 228 shortly after lunch. County Championship results: At Edgbaston: Warwickshire beat Durham by 282 runs. Warwickshire 306 and 261-9 declared. Durham 255 and 130 (A.Giles 6-45). Warwickshire 23 points Durham 6. At Hove: Derbyshire beat Sussex by 47 runs. Derbyshire 320 and 220. Sussex 265 and 228 (P.Moore 56; D.Malcolm 5-96). Derbyshire 23

points Sussex 6. At Southampton: Hampshire beat Gloucestershire by 63 runs. Hampshire 186 and 356. Gloucestershire 164 and 315 (A.Symonds 90, D.Hewson 58; S.Udal 5-82). Hampshire 20 points Gloucestershire 4. At Swansea: Glamorgan v Leicestershire match drawn. Leicestershire 536 and 231-7 declared (R.Croft 4-47). Glamorgan 433 and 299-9 (H.Morris 106). Glamorgan 9 points Leicestershire 11. English County Championship GP W D L Bat Bwl Pts Surrey 12 6 1 5 37 44 192 Leicestershire 12 6 1 5 39 41 191 Essex 12 6 2 4 41 39 188 Kent 12 6 1 5 35 39 185 Derbyshire 12 6 2 4 38 39 185 Yorkshire 12 6 1 5 35 36 182 Middlesex 12 5 2 2 23 42 151 Sussex 12 5 2 2 23 39 148 Warwickshire 11 5 4 2 25 35 148 Somerset 11 4 4 3 23 42 138 Glamorgan 11 4 3 2 31 57 137 Worcestershire 11 3 3 5 26 40 131 Hampshire 11 3 3 5 27 38 122 Gloucestershire 12 2 5 5 14 42 103 Lancashire 11 1 4 6 32 51 97 Nottinghamshire 12 1 5 6 27 35 98 Durham 13 0 0 9 19 48 79

Dunstall kicks 14 goals in Hawthorn win

MELBOURNE (AP) - Hawthorn captain Jason Dunstall kicked 14 goals as the Hawks overwhelmed Footscray by 67 points in an Australian Rules football weekend match. Dunstall booted all of Hawthorn's six first-half goals Saturday and kicked four goals in both the third and fourth quarters as his side won 20.12 (132) to 10.5 (65). It was the first time the Hawks' spearhead has kicked 14 in an Australian Football League match and the 15th time he has kicked 10 or more in a game. On Sunday, Tony Lockett booted 12 goals and took his season's tally to 106 as the Sydney Swans beat Richmond 20.10 (130) to 12.10 (82) to take over first place.

The Brisbane Bears beat North Melbourne 11.11 (77) to 8.11 (59) in the other match. In other Saturday matches, forward David Neitz kicked eight goals as Melbourne beat defending league champions Carlton. The Demons jumped the Blues from the start with ferocious tackling to record their sixth win of the season - 20.9 (129) to 17.8 (110). A seven-goal blitz by Essendon teenager Matthew Lloyd and another last-quarter fadeout by Adelaide all but ruined the Crows' finals hopes. The Bombers trailed by three points early in the final quarter but stormed home with an eight-goal term to win 21.17 (143) to 16.11 (107). Lloyd, 18, in only his 10th senior game, also gathered 20 pos-

sessions and 13 marks. St. Kilda beat Fitzroy by 53 points to keep its faint finals hopes alive, winning 13.10 (88) to 5.5 (35). Geelong hit its best form of the season by brushing aside West Coast by 45 points, winning 18.19 (127) to 12.10 (82). Fremantle trailed by two points after three quarters but came back to beat Collingwood by 24 points Friday, winning 15.16 (106) to 11.16 (82). Australian Rules Football Results: Sydney Swans 20.10 (130) def. Richmond 12.10 (82) Brisbane Bears 11.11 (77) def. North Melbourne 8.11 (59) Hawthorn 20.12 (132) def. Footscray 10.5 (65) Melbourne 20.9 (129) def. Carlton 17.8 (110)

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Venables returns to club soccer at First Division Portsmouth

LONDON (Reuters) - Former England coach Terry Venables returned to the club game yesterday as director of football with First Division Portsmouth. The former Tottenham and Barcelona manager, who quit as England coach after Euro 96 in June, has been appointed by Portsmouth managing director Martin Gregory to reverse the team's flagging fortunes. Portsmouth, who avoided relegation on the final day of last season, lost £2.8 million last year and are losing £54,000 a week. Venables, who guided England to the semi-finals of Euro 96, resigned as national coach because he said forthcoming legal cases would occupy him in the courts later this year.

"The situation is that I'm in control of the club," Venables said after taking his first training session. "I was told that there are investors waiting to put money in, but that hasn't happened yet. They were probably waiting to see if I actually joined the club and I hope things will really take off now. There is an awful lot of potential here." "People have asked me why I chose Portsmouth," said Venables, who had been expected to look for a post with a big foreign side. "The answer is I wanted to enjoy myself for a change. I've had enough of all the pressure and I want to have some fun." He added: "I have an option to take over the club in line with my agreement with chairman

Martin Gregory, but a few things have to happen before that takes place. "Money isn't everything in this game but it can certainly help. It can help you buy the right players to get things going. That sort of money isn't available at the moment but I hope it will be soon. He said he had no plans to replace current Portsmouth manager Terry Fenwick. "Terry Fenwick and his staff are good coaches," Venables said. "They've done a good job with few resources and hopefully I can help them. Terry (Fenwick) will pick the team every Saturday... If he needs my help I'll give it to him but I'm not going to step on his toes too much."

Maradona: I'm quitting Boca. Buenos Aires (Reuters) - Soccer star Diego Maradona said Sunday he was quitting his Argentine club, Boca Juniors, and might even retire. Maradona, 35, announced his decision to leave Boca shortly before the club's penultimate game of the season against Estudiantes de la Plata. "It's all my fault what is happening to Boca right now," the former Argentine captain said before starting the game which Boca lost 2-1, dashing their slim hopes of winning the league. Maradona, who has a contract with Boca until December 1997, missed a crucial penalty last week in a 1-0 defeat to Racing Club. It was the fifth consecutive penalty Maradona has missed. "My daughters suffered a lot after that game and that made me think everything over," he said. "This will be my last game at Boca's stadium." The last game of the season is away to Deportivo Espanol. "I don't know whether I will continue," he added. "It's something I'll consider in due time." Boca officials said after the game that Maradona had spoken "in the heat of the moment" and that they would try to convince him to stay.

Arsenal fires manager Rioch

Former Barcelona boss Cruyff rumored as replacement. LONDON (Reuters) - English Premier League club Arsenal ended its uneasy relationship with manager Bruce Rioch in a shock move yesterday when the club announced he had been released after only 13 months in the job. The London club said in a statement: "The board have decided that it was in the best long-term interest of the club that Mr. Rioch should now leave." His managerial reign at Highbury is the shortest in the past 50 years. Rioch took over at Arsenal in 1995 after former manager George Graham left in disgrace following transfer irregularities. He broke the Arsenal transfer record by signing Dutch international Dennis Bergkamp for £7.5 million from Inter Milan and also signed former England captain David Platt from Sampdoria for £4.75m. But any hopes the club had that the appointment of Rioch would bring calmer times after the lengthy scandal surrounding Graham were soon dispelled. He was involved in a series of disagreements with officials and was said to have clashed several times with the club's England striker Ian Wright. He also upset the board of directors by refusing

to sign a contract until recently. The club said in their statement they expected to name a successor shortly. As word of the dismissal spread yesterday, a rumor followed that former Dutch international Johan Cruyff, who was sacked as manager of Barcelona last season, was a likely candidate for Rioch's job. In the meantime, assistant manager Stewart Houston and coach Pat Rice would be in control of team affairs, just five days ahead of the start of the new English soccer season. 1947: Born to Scottish parents on September 6 in Aldershot, southeast England. 1969: Moves to Aston Villa after starting career at Luton Town. 1972: Picked to play for Scotland but pulls out of squad to play for Villa. Scotland manager Tommy Docherty says will not consider Rioch for future internationals. Rioch threatens to use dual nationality to play for England. 1974: Joins Derby County and wins league championship medal in first season. 1975: Picked by new Scotland manager Willie Ormond and wins first of 24 caps. 1978: Captains Scotland to World Cup in Argentina. 1982: Appointed player-manager of Torquay. 1984: Resigns after kicking a player in a fit of temper during training session. 1986: Appointed manager of Middlesbrough. 1987: Takes Middlesbrough from old third to second division. 1988: Takes Middlesbrough to old first division. 1992: Appointed manager of Bolton. 1993: Takes Bolton to first division. 1995: Takes Bolton to Premier League. Appointed manager of Arsenal August 12. 1996: Released from Arsenal.

Rioch at a glance

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Hill, Villeneuve prepare for racing showdown

BUDAPEST (Reuters) - Jacques Villeneuve's finest Formula One victory in Sunday's Hungarian Grand Prix left his Williams team mate Damon Hill grumbling about tactics and clutches and set-up a thrilling showdown for the world drivers' title. As the Canadian celebrated his narrow win, by just 0.7 seconds over the world championship-leading Briton, and the Williams team's record-equalling eighth constructors' championship title, Hill left the circuit early for a promotional appointment. "This win is certainly going to make things exciting," admitted Hill. "It is going to be great for the viewers and tough for us. I was disgusted with my start and confused by the strategy but all that apart it was an exciting race." Villeneuve, 25 and the winner of the Indy Car World Series title last year when he also won the Indianapolis 500, now stands only 17 points behind Hill in a title scrap which has become a private duel between the two Williams men. His victory on Sunday ensured not only that Williams equalled Ferrari's eight team titles but also that no other driver can now reach his or Hill's number of points in a season dominated by the Anglo-French team. "I am delighted to have won this race because it was not on my kind of track and because I beat Damon out there on the circuit," said Villeneuve. "It also makes it great for the championship. I said I would fight and I am going to keep fighting for it." As the Williams team celebrated with a champagne and tea party at their motor home, team chief Frank Williams made it clear he would let the two drivers slug it out for the title without any interference, providing they both acted responsibly. "I don't expect to see them start

taking each other off and doing anything crazy," he said. "They are still driving for the team and I expect they will behave properly on the track and drive with responsibility." "Asked about the title, he said: "It's been coming for a little while but we've been strong in the last two races. It's a brilliant team effort and I am thrilled to bits about it." "It's a wonderful result for both drivers, great teamwork, great Renault engine and a great day for all of us." Williams technical director Patrick Head, the engineering chief of the team who has created the cars which have won all the titles, was equally delighted. "It is a fantastic win for the team and it is down to the efforts of everyone working for us and for Renault. Real teamwork," he said. He said Hill's strategy had been changed from two stops to three because of his poor start, the need to adjust tactics to make up for lost time and the problems of overtaking on the tricky Hungarian track. He also said Hill's complaints about the clutch might have to be considered but pointed out that the Briton's starting was outstanding in 1993 and had deteriorated progressively each season since. Hill left the track early to fly to Romania for a promotional engagement with the team's sponsors, leaving the party behind. But before leaving he said he did not expect any problems in his relationship with Villeneuve as the pressure built up with only four races remaining. In the past, notably in 1987 with Nelson Piquet of Brazil and Briton Nigel Mansell, the Williams team has seen its drivers fall out when in a similar position. "I don't think we'll see anything like that," said Hill.

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# Prisoner escape due to overcrowding

THE escape of two security prisoners from Ashmoret Prison last week was in large part due to the confusion caused by the Oslo Accords, which necessitated the transfer of hundreds of prisoners from the territories to prisons in Israel in one fell swoop last October, prison officials told the Knesset State Control Committee yesterday.

Deputy Prisons Service Commissioner Yitzhak Nir told the committee that when the IDF withdrew from the major Arab cities in Judea and Samaria, hundreds of prisoners had to be transferred from the prisons there to prisons within the Green Line. However, he said, the receiving prisons had neither the space nor the manpower to absorb these extra prisoners.

As a result, Ashmoret, for

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instance, was forced to engage in the necessary renovations after the prisoners had already arrived, without the option of removing them from the prison while the work was being done, Nir said.

The urgent need to finish the work quickly to make room for the newcomers, as well as financial considerations, led to the decision to use the prisoners themselves as laborers - a decision which the breakout proved to have been a bad mistake, Nir added.

However, he said, there was also a significant element of human error: The guard who was supposed to have been present at the site abandoned his post because of the deafening noise.

Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani noted that eight

people who appear to have been directly responsible for the security failure have been suspended pending an investigation. The investigating committee is supposed to submit its conclusions at the end of the week.

Committee members were surprisingly supportive of the Prisons Service. MK Nissim Zvilli (Labor) said all the recent finger-pointing at the service is unjustified, stressing the very real difficulties that beset prison guards.

Taleb a-Sanaa (Democratic Arab Party) said he had been impressed during a recent visit to Ashmoret with the efforts being made to rehabilitate prisoners. David Tal (Shas) said ways to compensate the guards for the unpleasant work must be found if they are to retain their motivation.

# New IDF prison on the agenda

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

DAYS after the defense minister publicly stated there was a problem with motivation among youth to serve in the army and promised to spur the country's troops to new heights, the army announced its next major project: a new prison.

The announcement came during a visit by the general staff to the army's largest brig, known as Keleh Arba, or prison No. 4, located at the Tzrifin base. Led by Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak, the IDF's top generals got a look at a side of the military that 27,000 soldiers experience first hand a year.

Head of Military Police Brig-Gen. Niram Goldbrum said some 80 percent of those in military prisons were conscripts, with reservists comprising the rest. He added that 80 percent of those being held for desertion were reservists.

Goldbrum said Keleh Arba was currently undergoing a general renovation after the general staff ordered military prison conditions improved. The plan calls for a new, large and central prison to be built in the center of the country which will consolidate the inmates who are now spread out in a number of military prisons across the state, Goldbrum said.

He added that a new judiciary system will also be erected next to the new prison which will reduce the need to transport prisoners from other jails.

# Arab council heads discuss finances with PM

DAVID RUDGE

ISRAELI Arab council heads met with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu yesterday as many of the local authorities teetered on the edge of collapse due to crippling deficits.

The dire financial straits of the Arab councils was one of the main issues raised in the meeting, said Hussein Suleiman, spokesman for the Forum of Arab Council Heads.

"There are many councils which have not been able to pay the salaries of employees for the past few months and even some which are finding it difficult to pay for water," said Suleiman, himself chairman of Masha'had Local Council, near Nazareth.

The forum had earlier submitted to the Prime Minister's Office a document outlining the problems of the Arab community in general and the local councils in particular.

These included calls to raise council budgets to bring them in line with those of Jewish localities, making more land available for housing, agriculture and development of towns and villages, and generally improving health and education services.

"The document also outlined the complaints regarding administration of the Wakf, the difficulties faced by Arabs trying to enter the civil service and other matters," said Suleiman.

"We met with the prime minister to hear his response to the problems confronting us and how he proposed to tackle them. It was a good and

purposeful meeting and Netanyahu promised to look into all the matters deeply.

"He said that he wholeheartedly believed that there had to be full equality between Jews and Arabs and that he would work towards attaining this end. He promised to come to Shifaram and discuss the budgetary problems of the councils," Suleiman said.

The delegation of council leaders, headed by the chairman of the forum, Shifaram Mayor Ibrahim Nimr Hussein, also discussed regional issues, especially the future of the peace process.

Following the meeting, Netanyahu's office said, in a statement, that the prime minister said he would make an effort to expand the presence of Arab employees in government ministries.

Regarding the problem of the budgets of the local authorities, and the cost which they pay for government services and activities, the prime minister said that, following the substantial reduction which will be made in the 1996-97 budgets, an expansion of the budget is planned for the years following, and that the cost of services will be reduced due to the privatization process.

At the end of the meeting, the statement said, the prime minister expressed the hope that in the very near future, Israeli Arabs would enjoy equal rights.



Some of the four hundred people who participated yesterday in what was billed as an exorcism ceremony in a Jerusalem synagogue. (Debbie Hill)

# Dybbuks stay away from exorcism ceremony

ESTHER HECHT

THEY came pushing wheelchairs and clutching slips of paper with names of loved ones. More than 400 men and women crowded into the Ohel Rachel synagogue in Jerusalem's Mekor Baruch quarter yesterday for what was billed as a mass prayer to exorcise "dybbuks" - evil spirits that seize a living person - from people suffering from mental and emotional problems.

What they got was a combination of revivalist meeting and prayers for the ill, peppered with requests for donations.

People who arrived around noon at the nearby Yeshivat Hashalom, which is headed by kabbalist Rabbi David Batzi, were told to light a candle and then put the name of the sick person, and a donation, in an envelope. Then they were directed to the synagogue, two blocks away.

At the synagogue, one woman who stepped out of the stifling women's section from time to time for a cigarette said she had come because she wanted to help her sister who had accumulated a NIS 3 million debt and had gone bankrupt.

"I don't believe you push a button and something happens," said the woman, 51, who described herself as having become religiously observant five years ago. "But I believe that somehow this will help. You have to understand all the processes through which God works."

A young man with a thin mustache and a crocheted kippa, and a white-bearded man in black suit and hat were among the wheelchair-bound participants. A man who brought his wife in a wheelchair couldn't get her into the women's section and had to leave her on the landing outside.

Near her, a deaf-mute albino boy played with another boy who appeared to be retarded, while their mothers prayed inside. Young children squirmed in their mothers' arms as the rabbi, his voice choked with emotion, elicited fervent "Amen's."

The traditional confession was followed by the reading of Psalms and a brief revivalist talk. Then an assistant brought in a sack full of envelopes and emptied it on the central bima. Outside, a man explained to a distraught woman that the rabbi would not read out each name, but would have them all in mind as he prayed.

More than an hour after the service started, there was a sudden crescendo as the sound of several shofars blown in unison electrified the crowd.

Finally, a rabbi lit a candle and intoned a prayer "for all those who are ill - those who have mental illnesses, anxieties, phobias." He urged everyone to repent, "for we can never know why a person is suffering."

Then he lit a candle "for all the spirits who are still wandering, may they depart without harming the person they've inhabited and may they find rest."

Charity would help too, he added. He suggested participants donate NIS 160 for each sufferer, since in *genarita* the letters representing 160 form the Hebrew word "tzelem," which he said, is "the person's soul."

Whatever the ceremony was, it was not an exorcism of dybbuks, according to Prof. Yoram Bilu, of the Hebrew University's psychology

and sociology departments, who watched it attentively. There are instances of possession even today, he said, but "the dybbuk is a strictly Ashkenazi phenomenon, dating back to the 16th century, that is no longer seen."

Usually, the dybbuk would appear in a woman and would speak with a different voice, often that of a man. To make the dybbuk leave, the exorcist would bring the victim to the synagogue, tie her up if the spirit was violent and gag her if the spirit refused to be quiet.

The ceremony would begin with gentle persuasion, followed by burning holy names written on blue paper and making the victim smell that.

"It was a very dramatic ceremony and it was fantastic street theater," Bilu said. "That was one of its functions. All kinds of forbidden subjects, like sex and aggression, came up. The spirit was allowed to speak about all these things. After all, it was the spirit of a sinner."

Batzi's great-grandfather, Rabbi Yehuda Fetaya, was known as a healer and an interpreter of dreams, Bilu said. Yesterday's ceremony was on the occasion of Fetaya's *yahrtzeit*.

But Batzi has a decidedly modern bent. Two weeks ago, on Tu Be'av - celebrated by some today as "the holiday of lovers" - he appeared on TV to tell the future of unmarried men and women.

None of the wheelchair-bound participants in yesterday's event left on their own two feet. But like the woman who had come to help her bankrupt sister, they seemed to take comfort from the mere act of trying. And so, apparently, did the yeshiva, whose coffers benefited.

# Israeli UN delegation concerned over international criminal court proposal

MARILYN HENRY NEW YORK

THE UN opened a two-week session yesterday designed to iron out a proposal for a standing international criminal court, 50 years after the Nuremberg tribunal. With an agenda that includes discussions on crimes against humanity, terrorism and the definition of genocide, the prospects for the proposal were bleak, observers said.

"You can't get 185 nations to agree on how to milk a cow, let alone solve these problems," said Benjamin Ferencz, a former Nuremberg prosecutor who has written the standard texts on international criminal courts.

The Israeli delegation is concerned that such a court would become a political tool. "We cannot create a situation which will allow individual states to make use of the inherent jurisdiction of the court to harass other states for

political and propaganda purposes by filing spurious or baseless charges," the Israeli delegate, Hemda Golan, said in an earlier debate about the court.

States should have the right to refuse to surrender a person for a number of reasons, including to maintain the security or other essential interests of the requested country, Golan also said.

There are enough other contentious issues to keep delegations wrangling for years, although a proposal was expected to be presented to the General Assembly, which opens next month.

Some delegations want a sharper definition of the crime of genocide, although the international

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide defines it. "You don't need a political body to tell you that someone is committing genocide," said Thomas Buergenthal of the George Washington University Law School, an authority on human rights law. "All of those crimes are perfectly defined."

The UN's ad hoc courts for crimes in Bosnia and Rwanda, initiated by the Security Council, are the first international war crimes tribunals since Nuremberg. Proponents of a standing international court say these courts, while important, create an uneven procedure for international justice. "It politicizes the process," Buergenthal said. The tribunals exist "only when the Security Council feels like prosecuting. That's not a neutral principle."

# Policemen can now join political parties

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POLICEMEN will no longer be forbidden to join political parties, the police announced this week.

The change in policy was in response to a protest by the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI), which charged that this rule violated basic civil liberties.

The directive forbidding policemen to belong to a political party was issued at the beginning of May. It also forbade policemen to attend political rallies, even in civilian

dress, to put stickers on their house or any car they used, including cars belonging to their spouses; or to attend parlor meetings, even in private homes.

ACRI argued that this directive violated policemen's freedom of expression and association, and that the police had no legal authority to impose such restrictions.

This week, the police agreed to

cancel what ACRI considered the most important of these restrictions: the ban on party membership. The police also said they are reviewing the entire directive, and may later make changes in the other restrictions as well.

ACRI welcomed the decision, noting that while a policeman in uniform must obviously not be seen promoting the interests of a particular party, he is a citizen as well as a policeman, and should therefore be free to engage in political activity on his own time.

ACRI also stressed that the police restrictions were much more severe than those imposed on other civil servants. The Civil Service Commission forbids public political activity only by members of the four highest ranks of the civil service, and even those top ranks are allowed private political activity.

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In yesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the jack of spades, ace of hearts, jack of diamonds, and nine of clubs.

# Israeli immigrants to the US moving up the ladder

MARILYN HENRY NEW YORK

ONCE condemned by Americans for abandoning the Zionist dream, Israeli immigrants to the US appear to be coming more involved with the American Jewish community, according to a report in the 1996 edition of the American Jewish Committee Yearbook. They also are surpassing other immigrant groups in economic success, according to a wide-ranging report on Israeli immigrants.

Israel's social, economic, cultural and political links with the US "contribute to a sense of familiarity and make integration relatively easier," according to Steven Gold and Bruce Phillips, the authors of the report in the yearbook.

Nostalgia and homesickness also may be incentives for co-ethnic cooperation, the researchers said, noting that recently Israelis and American Jews have started to relate to each other "more openly and constructively."

However, the authors said, Israelis feel "significant social distance from American Jews in language, values, sociability and life-shaping experiences."

Furthermore, the Israeli immigrants in the US "almost universally regard Israel as a better place for children," Gold and Phillips wrote. "It is safer, they maintain, has fewer social problems, and does not impose the generational conflicts Israelis confront when raising children in the United States."

The number of Israelis now living in the US is likely under 200,000, divided between New York and Los Angeles, according to Gold and Phillips.

The data, which indicate a steady acceleration of Israeli immigration to the US, also show that the number returning to Israel has increased substantially since 1992. Gold and Phillips said. Their estimates rely on a variety of demographic accounts.

Israeli women in the US are more likely than men to be employed as professionals, because of their prominence as teachers in Jewish schools. Half the Israeli men are employed as managers, administrators, professionals and technical specialists. Only one-quarter work in sales. The earnings of Israelis are approaching those of native-born white Americans, Gold and Phillips said.

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